

ANNUAL REPORT AND DIRECTORY

1994 - 1995

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UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1995 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 7	Vision 2000, Centenary College, Shreveport
January 14	Annual Meeting Task Force, Lafayette
January 21	Vision 2000, Dillard University, New Orleans
January 22	UMW Sunday
January 26-27	Convocation of Boards
January 27-29	Nominations NOTE (Jan, Joyce, Ethel, Norma)
February 10-11	Mid-Year Executive Committee, Tall Timbers
February 24-26	UMW Conference Retreat, Tall Timbers
April 16	EASTER
April 22	Finance Committee
May 5-7	Presidents Consultation
June 5-8	Louisiana Annual Conference, Centenary College, Shreveport
June 25-29	West Gulf Regional School, McMurry University, Abilene, TX
July 18-19	Committee meetings, Centenary College
July 20-23	School of Christian Mission, Centenary College
August 18-25	National Seminar, Nashville
August/September	District Mini-Schools
September 14	Executive Committee, Lafayette
September 15-16	UMW Annual Meeting, Asbury UMC, Lafayette
October 7-8-14	UMW District Annual Meetings
October 13-16	LA Conf. UMW rep. to Women's Division Annual Meeting (Pat)
October 20-21	District Elected Leaders Training (DELT), Tall Timbers, Joyce Hazel, Chairperson Local Elected Leaders Training (LELT) in each district
November 2-6	Institutional Ministries of National Division, Seattle, WA (Pat)
December	NOTE
December	Local unit annual reports due to district president

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JUDY ROUNTREE

"...to expand concepts of mission," is an integral part of the PURPOSE of United Methodist Women. As Conference Treasurer of United Methodist Women for four years and Financial Interpreter for two years, Judy Rountree recognized the need to translate dollars into mission so that we could understand what it means to be "in mission." She kept accurate and detailed records, planned budgets and set goals. She helped us realize that money is to spend and that anything done for the good of God's people is Mission. She met with local units, district teams and conference groups planning and presenting programs. Under her leadership and personal example of giving of her time, prayers, service and gifts we were able to set and attain higher goals ourselves.

Judy's health required her to retire from Conference work and from her profession as an Elementary School Teacher but she still ministers through her local unit and as a valuable resource person. With commitment and dedication she continues to open windows to new concepts of mission. It is with love and gratitude that we dedicate the 1994-1995 Annual Report and Directory to Judy Rountree.



THE PURPOSE OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The organized unit of UNITED METHODIST WOMEN shall be a community of women whose PURPOSE is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

PURPOSE OF THE WOMEN'S DIVISION

The Women's Division shall be actively engaged in fulfilling the mission of the Church and shall interpret the PURPOSE OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN. With continuing awareness of the concerns and responsibilities of the Church in today's world, the Women's Division shall be an advocate for the oppressed and dispossessed with special attention to the needs of women and children; shall work to build a supportive community among women; shall engage in activities which foster growth in the Christian faith, mission education, and Christian social involvement throughout the organization. (Discipline Paragraph 1421)

THE COVER

The cover design is a combination of ideas by Janie James and Gwendolyn Willis. The dove with the olive branch represents gifts that are being "Rekindled" in the Flame. II Timothy 1:6,7 ...fan into flame the gift of God, ... a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline. (NIV)

DEDICATION

The dedication was written by Seola Callahan who is a former secretary of Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women. Judy Rountree and Seola have worked together in many different areas and levels of the United Methodist Church and United Methodist Women.

OUR POLICY

IT IS AGAINST THE POLICY OF THE WOMEN'S DIVISION TO RELEASE LISTS OF OFFICERS TO ANY ORGANIZATIONS OR COMMERCIAL FIRMS. THESE LISTS ARE PUBLISHED FOR THE USE OF THE LOCAL, DISTRICT, AND CONFERENCE OFFICERS OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN ONLY AND ARE TO BE USED FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE WORK OF THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN.

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MISSION, C & B1, page 45, Article IV,**

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Wesley (26) Ethel Lilly (Mrs. Nathaniel), P O Box 309, Mansfield 71052
 Many (22) Pearletta Enterkin (Mrs. Charles), Rt 1 Box 281, Many 71449
 New Light () Elvira Player (Mrs.), 223 Montgomery Lane, Benton 71006
 Pelican-Pleasant Hill - Disbanded
 Plain Dealing (18) Charlotte Corkran (Mrs. Norman), 1882 LA Hwy 160, Plain Dealing 71064
 Walker's Chapel () Wanda Burnes (Mrs.), 220 Goodman Springs, Springhill 71064
 Shreveport:
 Broadmoor (215) Nancy Rorie (Mrs. K.G.), 505 Mockingbird Lane, Shreveport 71105
 Caddo Heights - No Report
 Cedar Grove (8) Sarah Fouts (Mrs. J. R.), 215 W 68th St, Shreveport 71106
 Christ (110) Linda Taylor (Mrs. J.R.), 9212 Kingston, Shreveport 71118
 Fairfield (15) Bessie Washington (Mrs.), 1728 Severine, Shreveport 71108
 Fairview (7) Vera Jewitt (Mrs. Leon), 10158 Bullitorn, Shreveport 71106
 Faith (15) Anitra Jackson (Mrs.), 710 Oxford Rd, Mansfield 71052
 First (289) Doris Sims (Mrs. Curtis), 3820 Fairfield Oaks #118, Shreveport 71104
 Grace Community - Disbanded
 Jewella (22) Lillie Robinson (Mrs. Alvon), 4116 Robinhood, Shreveport 71109
 Johnson's Chapel (12) Vera Davis (Mrs.), 200 Grimmet Drive, Apt. 211, Shreveport 71107
 Lakeview (34) Marian Olson (Mrs. Dell), 7124 So. Lakeshore Drive, Shreveport 71119
 Mangum (78) Sheri Dare (Mrs. Donald), 3405 Driftwood, Shreveport 71118
 Morningside (36) Margie Frady (Mrs. Harold), 7137 W Canal Blvd, Shreveport 71108
 Mt Zion () Johnnie M. Williams (Mrs.), 1949 Myrtle St., Shreveport 71101
 Noel (135) Nan Bland (Mrs. C. E., Jr.), 254 College, Shreveport 71104
 North Highlands (94) Wanda Timmons-Simons (Mrs.), 3836 Cornell, Shreveport 71107
 Round Grove (12) Inell Myers (Mrs.), 1417 David Raines Rd, Shreveport 71107
 St James (45) Aline Watkins (Mrs.), 1401 Clay St, Shreveport 71101
 St Lukes (35) Nan Wibker (Mrs. Roland), 128 Carroll, Shreveport 71115
 St Paul (42) Sarah Dixon (Mrs. Tom), 4599 Pinehill Rd, Shreveport 71107
 Summer Grove (100) Carolyn Bahm (Mrs. Jim), 9448 Boxwood Dr, Shreveport 71118
 Trinity (8) Rosa Simmons (Mrs. W.L.), 9950 Kingston Rd, Shreveport 71118
 Zwolle (23) Lois Boren (Mrs. Hollis), Rt 1, Box 1512, Hemphill, TX 75948

1995 BUDGET
LOUISIANA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

PLEDGE TO MISSION

\$ 298,000.00

ADMINISTRATIVE & MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

A.	Travel Expenses: (Mileage, Lodging & Insurance) Executive Committee, for Intraconference Events & Responsibilities; Church-related Meetings.	5,000.00	
B.	Officer Resources, Service Center Mailing, etc.	100.00	
C.	District Admin. & Membership Development	15,945.00	
D.	Jurisdiction A & MD (1% of Pledge)	2,980.00	
E.	Schools of Christian Mission		
1.	Regional	8,000.00	
2.	Conference	7,500.00	
F.	Program & Events Within Louisiana Conference		
1.	Annual Meeting	1,200.00	
2.	DELT (Overnight)	4,000.00	
G.	Attendance at Regional & National Events		
1.	Assembly, 1998 (Cumulative 4 Years)	2,300.00	
2.	Jurisdiction, 1996 (Cumulative 4 Years)	600.00	
3.	National Seminar, 1995 (Cum. 4 Years)	250.00	
4.	Jurisdiction - Education for Mission	2,000.00	
H.	Operating Expenses		
1.	Conference Directory	1,000.00	
2.	Newsletter	6,000.00	
3.	Postage	1,000.00	
4.	Office Supplies and Copying	850.00	
5.	Telephone	550.00	
6.	Audit	1,800.00	
7.	Honors and Memorials	400.00	
8.	Dependent Care Subsidy	1,000.00	
I.	Church Women United	<u>300.00</u>	
TOTAL A & MD BUDGET FOR 1995		\$ 62,775.00	\$ 62,775.00
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<u>TOTAL CONFERENCE BUDGET FOR 1995</u>			\$ 360,775.00
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GALAXY OF FIVE-STAR UNITS INCREASED FOR 1993-94!



U.M.W. PROGRAM FOR UNDESIGNATED GIVING

CONGRATULATIONS! to the following units who worked together to attain Five-Star Status during 1993-94. you have **increased** our Galaxy of Five-Star Units by 27%.

ACADIANA First-Houma, Covenant-Lafayette, Immanuel-Lafayette, Northwood-Lafayette, First New Iberia, Calvary-Thibodaux.

ALEXANDRIA: David Haas Memorial-Bunkie, Trinity-Bunkie, Wesley-Booneville-Bunkie, Fellowship-Hineston, Nolley Memorial-Jena, First-Pineville, Palestine-Pineville, Pollock, Horseshoe Drive.

BATON ROUGE: Beech Grove-Clinton, Blackwater, Broadmoor, Evangeline, First-Baton Rouge, First-Gonzales, Ingleside, Jackson, Jefferson, St. Andrew, St. John, St. Mark, Wesley

LAKE CHARLES: First-Crowley, DeQuincy, Gueydan, First-Jennings, First-Lake Charles, University, Oakdale, Prospect-Hornbeck, Henning-Sulphur, Maplewood-Sulphur, Vinton, Westlake, Ville Platte, Wesley-Sulphur, First-DeRidder, Iowa, Oak Park, First-Walsh, Mallalieu-Jennings (Congratulations for the Greatest Galaxy and the most increase of 10 Five Star Units!)

MONROE: First-Bastrop, Memorial-Bastrop, Crowville-Delhi, Mer Rouge, First-Monroe, Memorial, St. Paul's, Rayville, First-St. Joseph, McGuire-West Monroe

NEW ORLEANS: Gretna, Aurora-Algiers, Munholland-Metairie, Bethany, Cornerstone, Jefferson, First-Kenner, Mt. Zion, Philips Memorial, St. Luke's, St. Matthew's-Metairie, St. Paul's Harahan

NORTH SHORE: E S Memorial-Bogalusa, Fitzgerald-Covington, Centenary-Franklinton, First-Hammond, Lacombe, St. Timothy-Mandeville, First-Slidell, Hartzell Mt. Zion-Slidell, Pine Ridge-Kentwood, Walker, Ponchatoula, Loranger

RUSTON: First-Arcadia, Cotton Valley, Farmerville, Gibsland-Oak Grove, Heflin, Hodge, First-Homer, Jonesboro, First-Minden, Shongaloo, Springhill, Bernice, Wesley Chapel

SHREVEPORT: Benton, First-Bossier City, Plain Dealing, First-Shreveport, Lakeview, Mangum, Noel Memorial, North Highlands, St. Luke's, Zwolle, First-Mansfield

For 1994-95, our Financial Goal is "To implement Five-Star 'Living' in order to accomplish Five-Star 'Giving'." "Living" requires personal/individual and unit participation! EXPERIENCE THE BLESSINGS OF FIVE-STAR "LIVING" AND BECOME A "STAR" IN YOUR CONFERENCE "GALAXY OF UNDESIGNATED GIVING."

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE - U.M.W.
ANNUAL REPORT OF GIVING - 1994

CHANNELS OF GIVING	ACADIANA	ALEXANDRIA	BATON RG	LAKE CHAS	MONROE	NEW ORLNS	NORTH SHR	RUSTON	SHREVEPORT	1994 PLEDGE	\$300,000.00
PLEDGE	18,000.00	26,000.00	37,500.00	42,000.00	28,000.00	45,000.00	21,500.00	32,000.00	47,000.00	300,000.00	TOTAL
UNDESIGNATED:											
Pledge to Mission	10,993.00	22,090.97	33,113.84	28,561.50	23,319.98	36,321.75	14,013.09	21,203.99	36,075.43	2,761.27	228,454.82
Special Mission Recognition	920.00	1,350.00	1,730.00	2,030.00	1,540.00	1,880.00	1,170.00	1,260.00	2,360.00	1,240.00	15,480.00
Gift to Mission	368.50	400.00	823.00	922.00	582.25	465.00	885.00	245.00	635.00	15.00	5,340.75
Gift in Memory	280.00	370.00	535.00	567.00	360.00	325.00	470.00	400.00	550.00	5.00	3,862.00
World Thank Offering	1,171.09	1,323.33	3,336.79	3,073.03	2,048.96	2,459.36	1,796.87	2,626.53	2,621.85		20,457.81
Conference Retiring Officers	90.00	245.00	460.00	412.50	215.00	147.50	120.00	237.50	182.00	(860.00)	1,249.50
Mission Candle	636.06	830.69	1,316.53	1,975.95	921.34	1,044.12	782.03	1,055.60	1,723.25		10,285.57
Mission Ribbons	177.00	566.00	443.00	568.00	83.00	517.00	477.00	321.00	1,217.00	(1,120.00)	3,249.00
TOTAL ON PLEDGE	14,635.65	27,175.99	41,758.16	38,109.98	29,070.53	43,159.73	19,713.99	27,349.62	45,364.53	2,041.27	288,379.45
DESIGNATED:									LESS A & MD	EXPENSE	(50,689.52)
Call to Prayer and Self-Denial	981.50	1,221.32	2,129.74	2,077.01	1,246.39	2,457.77	908.64	1,317.55	1,884.70		14,224.62
Supplementary Gifts:											0.00
General Mission:											0.00
Hope & Wholeness	40.00		154.71	350.00		420.00	55.00		30.00		1,049.71
Assembly Offering								130.00			130.00
Scarritt-Bennett Center											0.00
World Mission		100.00	180.00	55.00	130.00	392.60	59.15		100.00		916.75
National Mission			52.00	50.00	5.00						207.00
Dulac	20.00	350.00	1,720.00	490.00	310.00	1,730.00	140.00	816.33	720.00		6,296.33
MacDonnell's	70.00	670.00	2,395.00	520.00	400.00	1,300.00	365.00	791.33	760.00		7,271.33
St. Mark's	45.00	350.00	2,225.00	340.00	285.00	1,775.00	10.00	767.34	620.00		6,417.34
People's Community Center			125.00						120.00		245.00
UMCOR	200.00		149.25	357.50		407.35	120.00		5.00		1,239.10
Sager Brown	109.04	25.00			115.00				300.00		549.04
Crusade Scholarships	25.00					75.00			3.00		103.00
Magazine Fund	25.00		10.00								35.00
Conference A & MD Gifts	483.00	457.00	2,106.88	746.50	361.00	656.75	565.00	390.00	916.20		6,682.33
Conference Center	300.00			260.00	362.00	285.00	638.78	150.00	1,300.00		3,295.78
Conference Directory	6.00	32.00	81.00	41.00	58.00	79.00	47.00	58.00	86.00		488.00
Estelle Dameron Scholarships		85.00	5.00	60.00		128.00	159.00	50.00			487.00
TOTAL DESIGNATED	2,304.54	3,290.32	11,333.58	5,347.01	3,272.39	9,706.47	3,067.57	4,470.55	6,844.90	0.00	49,637.33
Transient Gifts Within Conference *	190.00		1560.00								
TOTAL GIVING:	16,940.19	30,466.31	53,091.74	43,456.99	32,342.92	52,866.20	22,781.56	31,820.17	52,209.43	2,041.27	338,016.78

* Not Included In Total Giving

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE U.M.W. - 1994
ADMINISTRATIVE & MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

ITEM	1994 BUDGET	EXPENSES & CREDITS	BALANCE
A. TRAVEL (Incl.Lodging & Meals)	5,000.00		
Leadership Development Workshop & Annual Meeting Task Group		(366.35)	
Standing Rules Committee		(88.85)	
Mid-Year Exec. Committee		(1,238.67)	
Finance Committee (Spring)		(525.40)	
Conf. School of Christian Mission		(594.20)	
Conf. Annual Meeting		(838.93)	
DELT		(973.65)	
School Committee		(190.50)	
Misc. Travel - Admin. Committee		(60.00)	
Insurance		(532.73)	
TOTAL TRAVEL		(5,409.28)	(409.28)
B. OFFICER RESOURCES (Serv.Ctr.Mailing, etc.)	100.00	(80.58)	19.42
C. DISTRICT A & MD	15,650.00	(11,701.75)	3,948.25
D. JURISDICTION A & MD (1% of Pledge)	3,000.00	(3,000.00)	0.00
E. SCHOOLS OF CHRISTIAN MISSION:			
1. Gulf West Regional School	8,000.00	(6,658.96)	1,341.04
2. La. Conference School	7,500.00	(10,513.72)	(3,013.72)
F. PROGRAMS & EVENTS WITHIN LA. CONF.:			
1. Annual Meeting	1,200.00	162.84	1,362.84
2. DELT	4,000.00	(401.55)	3,598.45
3. W.D. Leadership Workshop	N/B	(1,225.75)	(1,225.75)
4. 1995 Retreat (Advance Reservation)	N/B	(1,500.00)	(1,500.00)
G. ATTENDANCE - REGIONAL & NATIONAL EVENTS			
1. 1994 Assembly (Cumulative 4 Yrs.)	2,300.00	(2,300.00)	0.00
2. 1996 Jurisdiction Mtg. (Cum. 4 Yrs.)	600.00	(600.00)	0.00
3. 1995 National Seminar (Cum. 4 Yrs.)	250.00	(250.00)	0.00
4. Jurisdiction Education for Mission	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
H. OPERATING EXPENSES			
1. Conference Directory	1,000.00	(838.14)	161.86
2. Newsletter	4,700.00	(5,238.19)	(538.19)
3. Postage	1,000.00	(455.59)	544.41
4. Office Supplies & Copying	850.00	(666.17)	183.83
5. Telephone	550.00	(209.30)	340.70
6. Audit	1,800.00	(1,800.00)	0.00
		Reserved	
7. Honors & Memorials	400.00	(400.00)	0.00
8. Dependent Care Subsidy	1,000.00	(60.00)	940.00
I. CHURCH WOMEN UNITED (CWU)	300.00	(300.00)	0.00
J. MISC. - NOT BUDGETED			
1993 Retreat Refund	N/B	(55.00)	(55.00)
TOTALS	61,200.00	(53,501.14)	7,698.86

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE U.M.W.
BALANCE SHEET - December 31, 1994

	MISSION FUNDS UNDESIGNATED (CONF. A&MD)	RESERVE FUNDS (DESIGNATED BY CONF. EXEC.)	RESTRICTED FUNDS (BY DONOR)	TOTAL
ASSETS				
Cash in Checking Accounts				
Evangeline - Pineville (Reconciled)	1,561.57			1,561.57
Hibernia - Metairie (Reconciled)	154,675.22	1,950.00	5,045.78	161,671.00
				<u>163,232.57</u>
LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES				
Fund Balances				
Restricted (By Donor for Within Conference)				
1. Estelle Dameron Scholarship Fund			0.00	0.00
2. Conference Center			3,295.78	3,295.78
3. Transient Designated Funds			1,750.00	1,750.00
(To be distributed)				<u>5,045.78</u>
Reserve Funds (Designated by Conf. Exec.)				
1. 1995 National Seminar (Cumulative 4 Yrs.)		750.00		750.00
2. 1996 Jurisdiction Meeting (Cum. 4 Yrs.)		1,200.00		1,200.00
3. 1998 National Assembly (Cum. 4 Yrs.)		0.00		0.00
				<u>1,950.00</u>
Mission Funds (Undesignated-A & MD)				
1. A & MD Funds Held For:				
a. 1993 Audit	1,800.00			1,800.00
b. 1994 Audit	1,800.00			1,800.00
c. 1995 A & MD + 1993 Interest	5,677.56			5,677.56
d. 1996 A & MD + 1994 Interest	7,154.11			7,154.11
e. 1994 - 4th Quarter Report	109,986.78			109,986.78
Undesignated - 97,067.83				
Designated - 12,918.95				
f. Annual Meeting Advance to Local	500.00			500.00
g. DELT Deposit - Tall Timbers	585.00			585.00
h. In Conference Workshops & Events				
School of Christian Mission	7,500.00			7,500.00
Annual Meeting	1,200.00			1,200.00
Overnight DELT - 1995	4,000.00			4,000.00
Jurisdiction Education for Mission	2,000.00			2,000.00
i. Partial District A & MD for 1995	13,718.34			13,718.34
				<u>155,921.79</u>
2. Funds Received from Units - To Be				
Remitted to Women's Division:				
a. Alexandria SMR Order (Without Names)	180.00			180.00
b. Advance Special 110265-1-Rwanda	20.00			20.00
c. Adv. 011066-RA-Hammonds-Zambia	10.00			10.00
d. Adv. 352735-6 Robinson School	50.00			50.00
e. Adv. 011037-1AN-Wembo, Nyoma	55.00			55.00
				<u>315.00</u>
				<u>156,236.79</u>
				<u>163,232.57</u>

EXPENSE GUIDELINES
Louisiana Conference Executive Committee
(Amended 9/94)

United Methodist Women recognize the need to be an inclusive group and to have elected leaders who represent a diversity of age, race, economic background, and status of employment. To make this possible, a Budget for Conference Administrative and Membership Development is approved annually to provide expenses for those chosen to serve in leadership positions. The following guidelines for reimbursement (along with the Conference Budget) seek to expand the concept of what it means to be in mission.

Expense vouchers are available from the conference treasurer and must be filled out in full when applying for reimbursement and submitted to the conference treasurer and approved by the conference president and secretary. Expenses for specific meetings should be turned in at the close of that meeting, if possible, or not later than the next week. Expense vouchers should be submitted within the quarter which the expense occurs when possible. All possible receipts must be attached to expense vouchers.

Leaders are advised to submit all legitimate expenses for doing their job well. If someone cares to donate supplies or services which normally would be covered under these guidelines, please submit those charges and then endorse the check (or refund part of it) directly to the conference treasurer.

Conference officers are asked to pay their own registration fees to Conference events without reimbursement. They are often expected to pay their own room, meal, and travel expenses and then submit the receipt(s) with a voucher applying for reimbursement. If this arrangement causes personal hardship, a cash advance to cover expected costs may be requested from the conference treasurer.

Every call letter or written announcement of upcoming events requiring "official participation" of conference leaders shall mention further specific plans for financial arrangement not delineated herein (such as whether the individual leaders will pay or sign for meals and lodging).

The following limitations should be noted:

A. Travel Expenses

1. Fifteen (15) cents per mile shall be allowed for travel by car. When a van is used with six (6) or more people in the pool, mileage will be paid at twenty-five (25) cents a mile. No mileage will be paid to anyone who chooses not to carpool. Any exceptions will be voted on by the Conference Administrative Committee. When district and conference officers travel together with expenses provided by their respective organizations, they shall submit pro rata shares of the expenses of these groups. Other riders shall assume their share of the expense.
2. Lodging may be reimbursed at a rate up to \$10.00 per person per day. Meals may be reimbursed at a rate up to \$12.50 per person per day (to be divided between meals as desired). Meals for events that are less than one day will be reimbursed at a rate up to \$2.50 for breakfast, \$5.50 for lunch and \$7.00 for dinner.

B. Officers Resources

Materials which are necessary for information and execution of your job (such as Service Center publications) may be purchased and become the property of the Conference organization. Most of these materials should be maintained in the files you keep and pass on to successors. Utmost care should be taken that we do not needlessly duplicate materials which cover overlapping concerns of other leaders.

C. Operating Expenses

Postage, office supplies, copy charges, long distance telephone charges, and other miscellaneous charges are allowable. Receipts for these expenses are to be attached to the voucher. The use of professional secretarial services and large numbers of xerox copies are discouraged.

D. Dependent Care Subsidy

A Dependent Care Subsidy plan was adopted April 25, 1992. When a member of the Conference Executive Committee (elected or appointed) is required to attend Annual Meeting, School of Christian Mission, Regional School, Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting, District Elected Leaders Training or a Women's Division Workshop, she MAY be paid a Dependent Care Subsidy up to \$30.00 per day for hired care required for children 12 years of age or under/ or for an invalid (ill, handicapped, blind) parent/ spouse/ or other dependent person residing in her home -- providing this is an absolute necessity and that no other family member or friend is available to do this for her.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
February 18-19, 1994

The Mid-Year Executive Committee, Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women meeting was held at Tall Timbers Conference Center. The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. Pat Cobb, President, presided.

Present were: Betty Carlin, Fannie Reddix, Kathryn Shea, Barbara Hamilton, Helen Allemond, Hilda Sills, Geneva Bell, Mary Quinones, Lottie Palazzo, Kathleen Conrad, Emily McCoy, Margie Morrish, Rita Parham, Joyce Hazel, Vera Bulloch, Lynn Foil, Gail Epperson, Jean Rockhold, Nancy Carruth, Maxie Garrett, Cathy Parker, Susanna Rose, Lois Heath, Almeda Ledoux, Jane Deville, Jan Randolph, Elouise Sanders, Joan Miller, and Gladys Prillerman. Absent were: Marie Young who was ill, Harriette Elrod whose husband is ill, Joyce Armstrong whose father is ill, Carolyn Colvin, Bishop Oden, Marilyn Oden, Sue C. Johnson, and Judy Greer.

Lottie mentioned that Pat's husband was recently hospitalized but is making a speedy recovery.

Lottie gave the opening devotional. Her scripture was Proverbs 1:20-33, and emphases was placed on spiritual growth as we experience a personal journey through our studies.

The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as printed.

Appointment: Joyce Hazel and Lottie Palazzo were appointed to examine the minutes.

Correspondence: Pat received a letter from the Ujerehs who are missionaries in Kitwe, Zambia. She also received a thank you card from Gayle Meis for the file cabinet that was given to her.

Pat informed us of the Substance Abuse Mission Strategy Training Seminars that will be held in two locations: one in Washington, D. C. and the other at Gulfside Assembly in Waveland, MS. The seminars will begin in the fall of this year and end in 1996. They have planned to have six of these Seminars in each area. If you, or you know of someone who is interested, please let her know. Pat said she feels that this information may also be available through the local church. They would like to have a team from each conference participate.

Special Recognition pins were given to Mary Quinones, Chairperson and Hilda Sills, Co-Chairperson for the Leadership Workshop that was held at Tall Timbers in January.

Report from the Standing Rules: Maxie Garret said her committee met in Acadiana at the Methodist Church, January 29, 94. All members were present except, Pat Cobb, ex-officio member. Maxie said her committee is recommending the following changes:

1. That all officers will serve on a calendar year; with the term beginning January 1 and ending December 31. With this change, the period of service would be consistent with the local officers. We have added the following sentence: The time between the election and the assumption of their duty shall be a time of training, during which the duly elected officer will work with the retiring officer.

2. The wording for incumbent treasurer to retiring treasurer. Number 9 under the local unit.

3. Change the word 13 cents per mile, to 15 cents per mile. The rationale: increased expenses to operate a car. We did not make a recommendation to change the allowance for the van.

4. To update the date to 1993-1996 for the standing rules.

5. In the section for the nomination procedures for the conference officers to the Quadrennial Assembly, add the following: --Conference representatives to Quadrennial Assembly shall be conference elected officers who can attend the Quadrennial Assembly. The monies designated shall be divided equally among those who attend. The rationale: there is no limit to the number of elected conference officers who may attend the Quadrennial Assembly. A Motion was made at the Executive Committee Meeting September 16, 1993 that addressed this matter. Number two would become three.

The committee's goals for 1995 are to study and revise, if necessary, the various guidelines which include Annual Meeting, Honoring retiring conference leaders, Honorariums, School of Christian Mission, Conference Retreat, and District Elected Leaders. We do not have a copy of the present guidelines for DELT.

Pat indicated that we need to have some guidelines revisions for the School of Christian Mission, because we now have only school. The committee will meet before School of Mission and discuss the one school guidelines.

All of the recommendations were unanimously accepted by the Executive Committee and will be voted upon at the Annual Meeting.

It was moved by Lottie and seconded by Betty that Pat would be the representative to the Women's Division Quadrennial Meeting in October of 1995. The motion was carried.

Directory--Pat complimented Seola on the fine job that she did with the directories, even under difficult circumstances.

NOTE/ SECRETARY OF PUBLICITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS--
Kathleen Conrad. II Corinthians Chapter 9 verse 11 states that you will made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion. Since the installation of officers in September, as Secretary of Publicity and Public Relations, I can honestly say my life has been enriched with priceless rewarding experiences.

Kathleen said she had the opportunity to tour the LA Conference Office in its entirety and took advantage of the opportunity during the course of the tour to express concerns for more United Methodist Women newsworthy articles to be published in the LA Methodist Newspaper.

On December 3, she was blessed to attend and participate in the New Officer Training Event hosted in Chicago, IL. During that time she was trained for the office of Secretary of Publicity and Public Relations. Among the persons conducting the training were Dana Jones, editor of Response Magazine, Yvette Moore, managing editor, and Victoria Hunter, senior writer and other directors from the Women's Division.

One phase of the training consisted of interviewing Yvette Moore, a published author of two children's books; Freedom Songs and her most recent book The Birth of Christ. Both of these have been approved for the reading program. Following the interview, we were asked to write a brief news article and share individual articles with members of the training session. It was through this medium we were able to see various approaches to news reporting. This experience was most beneficial in that it provided an actual hands on experience that encouraged reporting factual information and good journalism.

Being in fellowship of women from the Women's Division gave me a fuller and more meaningful perspective of what a supportive community consists of; women from all walks of life and races working together for one cause, and that cause is mission.

Kathleen said that "It is through experiences such as these that I, as Paul in Romans 15:17 "Glory in my service to God". It is with my greatest intent to share generously with others that which I have learned in order that the story of mission, as told by United Methodist Women will continue to thrive."

NOTE: NOMINATIONS--Joan Miller, Thanked us for sending her to Chicago in 8 degree weather! She said "Our meeting was wonderful, highlights about our role were lifted from our handbook. We were also told that we should not feel that this job is not important because we are responsible for selecting the leaders. We were also told that we should not let our president bull us around."

PRESIDENT--Pat Cobb On October 22, Pat said she attended the Conference on Ministries Executive Committee in Baton Rouge. The following day, she had an eventful trip to Pineville for DELT; all nine district presidents attended. Norma Winegeart did a yeo(person's) job, both at this event and continuing with love and support.

The School of Christian Mission Committee met on November 20, in Bunkie.

NOTE in Chicago was exciting and informative. Being with "they" is always enlightening... getting the scoop straight from the top!

Pat also attended the Leadership Development Workshop, January 14-16. Since that workshop, she has heard nothing but praise about this event. The Annual Meeting Task Force piggybacked a meeting in Shreveport, January 16-17, after this workshop.

On UMW Sunday, She spoke at Elizabeth Sullivan Memorial Church in Bogalusa.

As President, She is on the Board of Laity, the Conference Board of Global Ministries and the Conference Council on Ministries, all of which meet at the Convocation of Boards in Baton Rouge, January 27 and 28. She was also a participant in the worship service on Thursday evening.

Numerous hours have been spent at her desk and on the phone, dealing with various administrative matters and issues. Pat said this is a challenging and sometimes overwhelming job, and she asks for your understanding and patience as she learns her way. She also prays for grace and strength equal to the task.

VICE-PRESIDENT--Betty Carlin. In October, Betty met with the District Vice-Presidents for DELT. In November, She attended the School of Christian Mission Committee Meeting at Bunkie.

Betty said that "on January 11, Seola and I met to make plans for the 1995 Retreat. We found out we needed to rewrite the guidelines for Retreats. We recommended this to the committee on Standing Rules. I also attended the Conference Leadership Development Workshop in January. From there we traveled to Shreveport, for the Annual Meeting of the task force."

Retreat--1995 On January 11, Seola and Betty met to start making plans for the next year's retreat. They asked Betty Ferrington to be the leader. After much praying and lots of thinking, she said yes. After the meeting, Betty stopped at Tall Timbers to make the plans. The tentative dates of the Retreat are March 10-12, 1995. Some time in December, Betty said she will have to go in and sign a contract and pay the deposit.

ANNUAL MEETING--Betty Carlin. The committee met at Broadmoor United Methodist Church in Shreveport to plan for the Annual Meeting. The complete minutes will be filed. Betty said there was a discussion of who the speaker and participants should be for the program. Mary Margaret contacted them and all said yes. Carolyn Johnson, President of Women's Division, will speak on Friday night but won't be there on Saturday. The motel prices are available so we can decide upon headquarters.

SECRETARY--Fannie P. Reddix. Fannie said she is new at this job, and ask for your prayers not just for today, but every night. As one of God's angels, she has participated in the following: DELT--provided training for the Secretaries of Publicity and Public Relations and the District Secretaries in a joint session. LETL--provided training for the New Orleans District Secretaries. Attended Deans' school at Scarritt Bennett on September 10-12, 1993; and on November 5-7, 1993 Regional School Training, representing LA and serving as the secretary of the West Gulf Regional School Planning Team. Attended the Leadership Training Workshop at Tall Timbers, January 14-16, and on to the Annual Meeting Task Force meeting in Shreveport, January 16-17, 1994.

Fannie will also attend the Women's Assembly in Cincinnati, Ohio April 28-May 1, 1994.

WEST GULF REGIONAL SCHOOL--Fannie will go to Austin, TX next weekend on February 25 to attend the spring planning meeting of the West Gulf Regional School of Mission. She will take with her the designs that were submitted for the cover by Rita Rebouche from St. Matthew's UMC in Metairie; and meditations on children written by Lynn Foil, President of the New Orleans District. She said our display, representing the conference will have emphases on children. Our conference will also be asked to bring table graces highlighting the study, "Making the World Safe For Children."

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION--Fannie said the School of Christian Mission Committee meeting was held November 20, 1993 at Trinity UMC in Bunkie, which was pastored by Rev. Helena Wright-Butler. The study leaders are: FAMILY: DRAWING THE CIRCLE WIDE, Rev. Elston Ricky Perry; Rev. Annette Sowell and Rev. Ester L. Hammond. AFRICAN CHURCHES SPEAK, Mrs. Anne C. Hearn; Rev. Marva Mitchell; and Mrs. Ernestine C. Dixon, and maybe Bishop Hearn. MAKING THE WORLD SAFE FOR CHILDREN, Mrs. Lois Heath; Mrs. Joy LeBoutillier; Mrs. Debra Bashaw and Mrs. Doris Brown. The assignments are: Fannie P. Reddix, Dean; Mary Quinones, Assistant Dean; Registrar--secretary--Hilda Sills; Housing--Carolyn Colvin; Newsletter--Nancy Carruth; Learning Center and Publicity--Kathleen Conrad; Estelle Dameron Scholarship--Harriette Elrod; Treasurer--Kathryn Shea; Evaluations, program and goals--Betty Carlin; Music--Mary will take of this area. Resource Center--Lottie Palazzo; Table graces, devotional booklets, and meditation room--Helen Allemond; Audio-Visuals--Rita Parham and Geneva Bell. Geneva will also coordinate the

Social Action issues; and Marie Young will recognize the units that have completed studies. Local arrangements chairperson, Patsy Lindsey. Our nurse is Amanda Bowers from New Orleans, LA.

Fannie just received a letter from Dick Anders informing her of the changes in meal prices, room rates and the remodeling of the north side of the cafeteria. All meals have increased 25 cents therefore, breakfast will cost \$3.75, lunch \$4.25 and dinner \$4.75. It will cost \$13 per night for the room. We will have to eat in the south cafeteria, therefore we will have to use another building for the learning center and resource room. The student union building has been suggested.

There were a few changes in the school schedule to provide for classes each day of the school. Those study leaders who will teach the bible classes will have two one-hour sessions on Thursday, two three-hour sessions on Friday and two three-hour sessions on Saturday and a one-hour session on Sunday. The other study leaders will have a one-hour session on Thursday and Sunday morning and a three-hour session on both Friday and Saturday.

Each study leader will hold class every day of the school. We will also have a workshop for mini-school study leaders at 12:45-1:45 p.m. on Saturday, one for each study, concurrently.

Breakfast on Sunday morning will be served at the regular schedule, 7:00-8:00 a.m. The fellowship nights will be observed in the learning center with emphases on the theme for that day. Thursday is MAKING THE WORLD SAFE FOR CHILDREN Friday is FAMILY: DRAWING THE CIRCLE WIDE; and Saturday is AFRICAN CHURCHES SPEAK. All of the table graces will follow the same theme for the day.

TREASURER--Kathryn Shea. Kathy said, "that in 1993, the amount paid on Pledge to Mission was \$244,240.84. The amount paid in Designated Funds was \$34,773.03. Total giving was \$325,236.25.

Each district has been mailed one-half of their Administrative and Membership Development Budget Funds for 1994 for a total of \$7,825.00. The January issues of the Conference newsletter was published and mailed for the amount of \$1,515.88.

Special Mission Recognitions to date total \$1,170.00. Mission Ribbons sold like "hot cakes" for UMW Sunday. T-shirt sales are booming.

The current checking account balance is \$35,076.49 in an interest bearing account. Assembly funds for a total of \$9,200.00 will be disbursed this weekend.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE--Kathryn Shea. Kathy said that, "a meeting of the Finance Committee is scheduled for Saturday, May 14, 1994, at the First United Methodist Church, Pineville, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Financial Interpreters will be included. Members will be sent a reminder, copies of all necessary reports and details about lunch.

SECRETARY FOR FINANCIAL INTERPRETATION--Mary Quinones. Mary said that "our Financial Goal is to continue to increase our Conference Pledge to Mission by (1) asking each United Methodist Woman to purchase at least one (1) \$5.00 Gift to Mission Card in 1994; and (2) promoting the use of Gift in Memory Cards. She is asking each conference officer to be "counted in" toward implementing this goal by sending a Gift to Mission card to a missionary from the Prayer Calendar who has her same birthday, and include a mission ribbon in the card. She asks that we let the missionary know that your response to their work is "Count Me In!" with both prayers and financial support. Then, please share with this committee any response you get from that missionary. You can help her tell the stories of mission that will encourage both new membership and increased finances.

In the January newsletter, names will be published of the 81 units who qualified in the UMW 1992-93 Five-Star Program for Undesignated Giving. Mary says we will continue to promote five star giving as a learning process wherein participants can work toward wholeness in mission giving. The recognition of these units is an encouragement to other units who may need to grow in their financial interpretation of mission.

By use of the Invitation to Participate in the "31-derful Ways to Say Thanks" study during World Thank Offering Month in October, some units reported increased interest and giving. Mary plans to update this invitation when the financial mailing goes out next month. She still needs the lists of local treasurers from all the districts in order to complete this mailing to local presidents and treasurers. Also included in the mailing will be a newsletter about the offering for conference and district retiring officers, the form letter for the 1994 Mission Candle, a qualifying form for the Five-Star Undesignated Giving Program, flyer about our "Offering to Honor Children" at Conference School of Christian Mission, additional promotion of the room furnishings for the Conference Center, and a promotion of the 1994 Assembly Offering. Here we can get further mileage out of our 1994 ribbons since the Assembly Offering theme is "Yes! Count Me In to Reach Out to Women, Children and Youth", and will be distributed through grants: 75% to local,

district and conference United Methodist Women's units in the United States and 25% to existing and emerging projects supported through the offices of ministries to women and children and ministries to youth of the World Division of the General Board of Global Ministries. This information comes from the Women's Division Update in Response, January, 1994. Additional information is given in the article about guidelines and procedures for applying for the grant.

A better system of keeping track of the mission ribbons has been worked out. She is happy to report that 1994 ribbons have been a sell-out. Mary has ordered 5,000 ribbons and will need to increase this by about 500 for 1995. Plans for the 1995 ribbons are already in the works, and she will have more on that at School of Mission.

The Conference Mission Candle was a very big success in 1993, and will continue to be promoted as a conference channel of giving in 1994.

The new Louisiana Conference UMW T-shirts are a big hit and the orders are coming in daily. Please note she will continue to hold groups of at least 2-dozen shirts for an order and send out the shirts via mail or best delivery. Mary said that If units could be encouraged to order as a group it would make my job a lot easier. (Hindsight is always 20/20!?) District newsletters can reprint the order form from the Conference newsletter and add this information about units ordering together, if possible. Mary asks that We wear our T-shirt on Friday at Assembly.

Kathryn Shea and Mary will be leading a Financial Promotion Workshop for the 1994 Annual Meeting of Church Women United, March 18 & 19 at Lakeview Presbyterian Church in New Orleans. They are looking for additional financial promotion ideas and would love to hear any idea you have for local women to raise funds. They would use these for their local UMW units as well. Mary asks that if we have any ideas to give them to her this weekend.

ASSEMBLY UPDATE--Pat said she received a confirmation that indicated 121 ladies from Louisiana have registered for the Assembly, as of this date. She said she thinks there may be a few vacancies, but encourages persons to call Assembly before going through the entire process. Lynn wanted to know if this list was broken down into districts. Pat said that it wasn't and the list would be available for the district presidents to review, if they wish. Some of the ladies have

received pre-Assembly materials.

ANNUAL MEETING--Betty Carlin was filling in for Mary Margaret Barr, Chairperson.

The Annual Meeting Task Force met at Broadmoor UMC on January 16-17, 1994. Mary Margaret contacted all of the participants and they all said yes. The minutes of the meeting will be filed. Betty has the logo and would like to get out comments. She also has the hotel price list. Pat asked for approval to request the speaker from the Women's Division. The Executive Committee voted unanimously to give Pat the approval she needed to fill out the request form.

The Executive Committee voted unanimously to accept Kathleen Conrad as Chairperson with Mary Spell, Assistant Chairperson of the 1995 Annual Meeting.

WORLD FEDERATION OF METHODIST WOMEN--Bunkie, LA Saturday, January 22, 1994.--Lottie Palazzo. Lottie said, "approximately 45 women gathered for a wonderful program, with outstanding speakers, dealing with the subjects of 'Child Abuse' and 'Aging.' Unfortunately, United Methodist Women were in the definite minority of participants. Gwendolyn Walker and Marilyn Ray were co-chairs and did an excellent preparation. Women of St. Matthew's prepared home-made bread for the communion service. Program materials were offered for sale."

SECRETARY OF PROGRAM RESOURCES--Lottie Palazzo. Lottie said at the Officer Up-Date, they were told that they should have materials for sale at all gatherings, so she has reading program books and other materials with her. She also had materials available for sale at the World Federation of Methodist Women's meeting in Bunkie last month. Some of the materials were held over for this meeting, so she hopes all of the committee will be interested in purchasing items.

CHRISTIAN PERSONHOOD COORDINATOR--Helen Allemond said that Christian Personhood got off to a good start at DELT. Seven District Christian Personhood Coordinators attended. The enthusiasm was great!

At that time, she gave to each one present, a copy of the 1994 Reading Program list, Reading Program forms according to their 1993 reports, and other vitally important information. They set-up a schedule of events for the year. There was a question and answer period, which was very helpful.

She sent the names and addresses of their district counter part to each District Christian Personhood Chairperson.

Last week, she mailed an up-dated letter and yearly schedule to each Christian Personhood Chairperson reminding them of what to expect in the months ahead. She feels good about the progress Christian Personhood Coordinators are making at this point.

The yearly plan schedule is: January-March, observe Call to Prayer and Self-Denial; June Devotional for Devotional Booklet, due; July - Table Graces, Worship Center; August-Reading Program list due, September-Annual Meeting, Reading Certificates awarded; October-DELT and November -LELT.

SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY--Hilda Sills. Hilda said, that it was indeed a pleasure to award four units Supportive Community Certificates at the Annual Meeting in September. They were: (1) Nolley Memorial UMW, Jena, LA Melinda Peppers, Coordinator; (2) St. Luke Simpson UMW, Lake Charles, Betty Verrett, Coordinator; (3) First UMW of Welsh, Welsh, LA Eleanor Gilbert, Coordinator; and (4) Wesley UMW, Sulphur, LA Lillian Blanchard, Coordinator.

She had a very successful session at DELT. She also served as Co-Chairperson with Geneva Bell. She has made a new booklet using sample materials for training. The coordinators from the various districts were very interested and excited about the work of Supportive Community Coordinators.

Guidelines for Certificates for 1994--1. Observe the National Observance of Children's Sabbath. Information in regards to this was mailed to each District Coordinator in August. 2. Use items from the Suggestions for Local Units in the Implementation of the Charter of Racial Justice Policies, as received from the Women's Division. 3. Complete the Questionnaire for Discussion Choices: Reforming the Health Care System. And 4. Read and discuss the booklet, "To Be Part of the Whole." This is A Statement of Faith & Action: Study Guide on The Church and Persons with Handicapping conditions.

Deadlines: Send application to District Supportive Community Coordinator by July 1st. District Coordinators of Supportive Community send to Conference Coordinator of Supportive Community by August 1st. CERTIFICATES WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING.

Items 1 and 2 will be included each year during this quadrennium.

She is also actively involved with the New Orleans District, and serves as Treasurer for her local unit. In October, she installed the officers of the New Orleans District. She also participated on the program on UMW Sunday.

The District Coordinator of Supportive Community is working very hard to have some units in the New Orleans District to receive a certificate for Supportive Community. She informed me that many units observed the Children's Sabbath. Hilda also worked with Mary Q. for the Leadership Development Workshop that was held here on January 14-16, 1994.

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL INVOLVEMENT--Geneva Bell. Geneva said, "as the result of DELT training, they were off to a good start with much prayerful enthusiasm and commitment. Four new Coordinators came on board the team; the experienced ones came prepared with information and materials to share. They chose as their major priority to continue to advocate for children through 1996 as recommended by Global Ministries, emphasizing violence on children, youth, and women."

The annual legislative summary from Public Policy, Women's Division General Board of Global Ministries informed us of the 1993 decisions on federal budget, international trade agreements, crime prevention, Haitian refugees, and relief aid. Some noteworthy events included the passage of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), the Brady Bill, and the Family and Medical Leave Act.

She said, "We are to urge members of Congress and President Clinton to abide by the original terms of the Loan Guarantee Agreement, this comes under the Balanced Budget Amendment."

Also, the Administration is already working on its plans for Fiscal Year 1995. It is not too early to let both the Administration and our Congress persons know that we want them to invest in children and families by fully funding Headstart and WIC programs by 1996. Through Inter-Religious Impact, we are kept abreast on major briefings and how our elected persons are voting on them."

Conference Church and Society is bringing to us another Peace With Justice team, their concerns will be gun control, violence and abuse on women and children. An Environmental Justice workshop is planned for the Fall; professionals from the State and Global Ministries are to be the teachers--this will be in Alexandria. Complete details are to come later.

Geneva said they still have guidelines for making crib quilts for "At Risk," HIV-Aids babies or just for babies.

Geneva thanks us for our prayers, love, and support.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS--Barbara Hamilton, Chairperson. Barbara said that, "since the meeting in February, 1993 they have met, set goals and nominated a slate of officers for 1994-1995.

They met July 17, 1993 for the purpose of filling two vacancies on the Committee for Charter on Racial Justice.

Since she was unable to attend DELT, she wants to thank Jane Deville for taking her place at the last minute.

By mail, they nominated Fannie P. Reddix to represent LA Conference on the West Gulf Regional Committee.

The new committee members are: Joyce Armstrong, Joan Miller and Elouise Sanders.

They will look at the vacancies for offices for the coming year on this weekend. The offices are: Vice-President, Secretary for Financial Interpretation, Mission Coordinators for Christian Social Involvement, Supportive Community, Christian Personhood, Treasurer, Chairperson--Nominations, three (3) members for Committee on Nominations for 4-year terms.

Pat suggested that we should always be alert to potential leaders to fill some of the vacancies that occur. Pat also indicated that you don't always have to come up through the ranks. Barbara said that out of application forms that were sent out, only about 14 were returned. Barbara also said that her committee tried to include officers from all over the state. Joan Miller said that at NOTE, they were encouraged to have some identifying symbol, badge, etc. to let people know that they were on the nominating committee, and to talk with people about holding leadership roles.

NEWS EDITOR--Nancy Carruth. The deadline for submitting the information for the newsletter is fast approaching. Nancy said she would like to thank Kathy Shea, bless her heart, she gets her ladies together and they put the labels on the newsletters and prepares them for mailing. Caution should be taken when submitting the labels, so that there is a correct Zip Code for each person. Nancy has spoken with someone with Postal Authority about the newsletters that are not being delivered on time or not at all. Please let her know exactly where there are pockets of newsletters that are not being delivered; she will also need to get that list of Zip Codes. If anyone is getting more than one newsletter, please share with a United Methodist Woman who does not get one. They send out roughly 3300 newsletters.

If anyone here is not getting the newsletter or not getting it on time, please sign the list that is being circulated now.

For those of you who know her, know that she is actively involved in the African University. She will be leaving in April as a delegate to the African University's Inauguration of the President-Chancellor. She will be leaving April 18. She will need all of the information, pictures, etc. for the newsletter by April 1, 1994. She must have it in corrected form to the printer before she leaves for Africa. The Bishop will also be going to Africa. On Sunday, April 24, they will air via a downlink the Inauguration activities. All of the ministers have received correspondence about this.

On Saturday morning, Pat said we will all be together for the opening devotional, and the conference officers will be in the Focus Group. The District Presidents and Members of the Nominating Committee will meet to brain storm ideas on membership development. Harriette is new and she was not able to go to NOTE and we do want to support her. Lynn Foil is asked to be the convener of the group, and take notes to be sent to Harriette.

Pat led us in prayer and we were adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Saturday Morning Pat called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. Hilda Sills led us in a devotional which emphasized Black History and Lent. Her scripture was Matthew 25:35-45. Lent is a time of acceptance of ourselves, our needs and our path of errors of others and our obligations to them observing the three areas of focus during Lent: prayer, fasting and alms giving. Geneva read a meditation that we can do during Lent, titled "Lent A Season For Fasting, A Season For Feasting." The second area of emphases was Black History. We were encouraged to participate in the Litany, honoring/remembering a Black lady who has or is making a contribution to the work of the Women's Division/United Methodist Women. At the end of each name, the response was "Lord Jesus, we thank you for the work of . . ."

At this time, the Executive Committee was divided with the conference officers remaining for the focus group and the district presidents and nominating committee members meeting to discuss ideas for membership.

The Focus Group--Shirley McPherson from the Women's Division led us in a special interest session on Policy Making. Gail Epperson served as the flip chart recorder. The Areas of concentration were: Inadequacies: Written resources, Inadequate, Recruitment, Training Events, Officers, New Member-Recruitment-Information; Scholarship; Shepherdess Program; Finance; Racial Inclusiveness; Interest; General Board; and Problems. There were several models discussed for restructuring the traditional "unit."

Betty Irvine was on her way to our meeting today, but her car broke down on the stretch of highway 190. She wanted to come to us to give us some information on a Child Advocacy Workshop. She wanted to know about our interests in this area. The Campaign For Children has been extended. This falls in line with what we are doing. Mary Q. said that Dulac has a child advocate who may be able to help Betsy Irvine. Betsy is in the ministries of helping churches do mission working with children. Hilda suggested that Evelyn Martin be contacted to see if she may be interested in working with this. After much discussion, Pat said she would get back with Betsy to get more information about the program and to offer the ideas that we have discussed.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION PIN--It was moved by Hilda and seconded by Betty that we give the pin to Rev. Barbara Duke.

Pat said that Kathryn would be disbursing \$400 for each district to help defray the cost of officers attending the Women's Assembly.

ACADIANA DISTRICT--Emily McCoy, President This year was a good year for the district. Surely the Lord was in the plans, without him we surely could not do it. Many of our officers were trained at DELT last year. The information learned was passed on to the local units' officers at our LEET session.

Two of our old officers did not seek re-election after their term expired. They were replaced with able members.

The evaluation forms were slow to come, but we managed to get over two thirds of them. We have thus far a total of 658 active members.

We have paid our pledge for 1993 in full and have increased our pledge for 1994.

We are still holding the attendance banner from the school of Christian Mission, Centenary College for 1993.

Our Spring Retreat (day Apart) is scheduled for April 16, 1994.

There were 30 units observing UMW Sunday on January 23, 1994. We are proud to see that we are still growing strong together.

There will be eight members from the Acadiana District attending the UMW Assembly, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT--Margie Morrish, President, said she felt very honored to be elected district president in October, 1993.

UMW Sunday was celebrated in 16 of our 22 units in the Alexandria district. Twenty of the 22 units reported. Seventeen units attended the annual conference that was held in Alexandria. A Mini-School of Christian Mission was held in Jena. Fifty-one members subscribe to the Response Magazine and use it.

Most of the officers attended DELT. LET was held in November and we had a good representation of units. The District Annual Meeting was held in Bunkie. The speaker was Judy Avery, wife of our District Superintendent, Rev. Donald Avery.

The first 94 Executive Meeting was held in January and one is planned for April. The spring retreat will be held at First UMC, Alexandria.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT--Rita Parham, President, said that since their last meeting during the LA Conference UMW Annual Meeting in Alexandria, the Baton Rouge District has successfully ended 1993. 1994 has already been fruitful and many opportunities for leadership development and growth have come our way.

The Baton Rouge District UMW Calendar of Events for 1994 has been developed to offer a diverse and exciting year of activities. The main goal is to go into the district's surrounding parish areas to involve unit teams in hosting our large district events such as Day Apart-Spiritual Enrichment, Local Elected Leadership Training and Mini School of Christian Mission. Baton Rouge District has a promise to keep and is looking forward to a year of growth and learning. By year's end Baton Rouge District will be the Olympiads of UMW--bringing home the Gold.

After a very exciting Conference meeting in Alexandria, Rita said they were inspired to want to be counted in. On Saturday, October 2, 1993 The District Annual Meeting recalled the theme "Keeping God's Promises, Count Me In." Baton Rouge District meeting statistics include: Attendance: 85 members, 20 units represented. Mission candle burned 30 minutes for an estimated total of \$850.00. Special Recognition Pins presented to Betty Pope, District Secretary; Beth McKnight, District Chairman--Committee on Membership; Brenda Canty, District Christian Personhood Coordinator. Fourteen units participated in studies. Reading Program--48, UMW Sunday--24.

Other activities included: Installation of Officers--Helen Allemond; Spiritual Enrichment Day, Mini-School,

Conference Retreat, LElt, DELT, Leadership Development Workshop in January.

Plans are now underway for the Day Apart/Spiritual Enrichment, April 23, 1994. The entire report is on file.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT--Joyce Hazel, President, said she is looking back over the past few months, and is elated to report that UMW of the Lake Charles District did respond "Here Am I, Lord" to the call to be in Missions in 13. While a total count is not available, the district was well represented at Conference Annual Meeting in Alexandria, and the room reserved for the district to dine together at Piccadilly Restaurant was filled to capacity; some had to sit in the open dining room. The District Annual Meeting, held at Welsh Memorial UMC in Vinton, was in the morning for the first time. There were 110 in attendance, with Rev. Tracy MacKenzie bringing a most inspiring message.

Fifty-five attended LElt. The district fell short of meeting our \$42,000 pledge by less than \$600. The local units participated in UMW Sunday, Call to Prayer and Self-Denial and other mission activities. The quiet Day Retreat will be held on April 16 at Ouskichitto Retreat Center. The entire report is on file.

MONROE DISTRICT--Vera Bulloch, President, said that the Monroe District is made up 35 units with a membership of 1,259. The pledge to mission was \$28,000.00 dollars. The district overpaid the pledge by about \$500.00. Vera was very proud of her district.

She helped to reactivate a unit at the Crewlake UMC in Start, LA. We had a Spring Retreat April 17, 1993. Thirty-seven units throughout the district sent in reports for UMW Sunday.

At the State wide Roundup for the Conference Center, our ladies provided French bread and cookies. The District Council on Ministries undertook the project of enlarging the Sanctuary and build a larger building for Sunday School Rooms, bathrooms, a pastor's study and a Fellowship Hall at the St. Paul UMC on Jackson Street. The ladies provided the meals for the workers during this period of construction.

Nineteen members attended the School of Christian Mission at Centenary College in Shreveport, 1993.

Other activities included: Mini-School at 1st UMC in St. Joseph, cookies for Angola Prison, Conference Annual Meeting, DELT and LElt. The entire report is on file.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT--Lynn Foil, President, said we used to sing a song "Way down yonder in New Orleans in the land of

dreamy scenes, there's a Garden of Eden you know what I mean.". Lynn is afraid that is no longer the case, rather we should be singing "Way down yonder in New Orleans, with our homeless and troubled teens, there's a Garden of Mission, you know what I mean."

But the district keeps going. . . The Annual Meeting was held at Cornerstone UMC in New Orleans. The district followed Baton Rouge's suggestion for LElt and had all officers give a short presentation of the duties of that office and showed where offices overlap and how we all work together. This was followed by breakaway groups so that each officer could fill in her local counterparts as needed.

UMW Sunday was a great success; With almost 100% participation! There are a number of units observing Call to Prayer and Self-Denial. The year is usually ended with a Christmas Luncheon. The luncheon was held at St. Paul UMC in Harahan. The entire report is on file.

NORTH SHORE DISTRICT--Gail Epperson, President, said that the Fifth Annual Meeting of the North Shore District UMW met at FUMC, Amite, LA October 9, 1993. The guest speaker was Alice Story. The mission team was 100% in attendance. On April 23, 1994 the Retreat will be held at Fitzgerald UMC led by Rev. and Mrs. Carl Rhoads. The district mini-school will be held at Walker UMC October 8, 1994. The District Annual Meeting is scheduled for St. Timothy's UMC in Mandeville, LA.

The district goals are to increase awareness of persons with disabilities and encourage churches to renovate present buildings to accommodate persons with disabilities.

Gail said that the shepherdess program is active; reading program increased and we received a certificate for 5-star giving. UMW Sunday was celebrated. The entire report is on file.

RUSTON DISTRICT--Jean Rockhold, President, said the Annual Meeting which was held at Minden First UMC in October was well attended. After attending DELT, the district had a very successful LElt at Jonesboro UMC in November.

All 27 of the units submitted their reports (evaluations for 1993), and they reflected an interesting variety of projects that were carried out.

Jean has spoken on four UMW Sunday programs: Famerville, January 9; Harmony Chapel, January 16; Bernice, January 23 and Lakeview--Minden February 13.

Jean said they are looking forward to their Spring District Meeting at Harmony Chapel, March 6, and to the

District Spring Retreat. The entire report is on file.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT--Gladys Prillerman gave the report for Carolyn Colvin, who was absent. The district has had a good response in all of our meetings. The meeting that was held at Asbury UMC was one of our larger gatherings. The ditrict has participated in a number of missions activities. Some of our special projects include a latch-key project, and sponsoring a homeless woman. Gladys said that the district is making great strides in the attendance at the conference events.

CHARTER OF RACIAL JUSTICE--Pat shared some of the ideas that were discussed at the meeting. There will be a new award introduced at the Annual Meeting. This award will be presented, if accepted by the Annual Meeting, to a unit that has shown the most progress in dealing with race relations during that year. This award will be called the PROMISE AWARD. We are working on a skit in keeping with the theme "Rekindle the Gift within." The Committee of Racial Justice will serve as the screening committee. This year all details will be available at the Annual Meeting. We are also planning that all members of the committee with read a book. The book will be selected by Geneva. The book will be reviewed in the newsletter.

DULAC COMMUNITY CENTER--Mary Quinones, said that the mission at Dulac Community Center is very exciting these days. Both the Conference UMC and the Acadiana District have taken a greater interest in this mission, and both are working with the existing Board of Directors to accomplish the addition and growth of much needed programs in this depressed area.

Rev. Donald Morgan has been appointed as interim Executive Director, and he is working well with UMCOR on site to refinish the inside of the former center building to accommodate additional programs such as tutoring. Nicholls State University is considering this location as a satellite school.

Dulac currently has programs through Headstart, Child Advocacy, and United Way for day care, as well as the operation of a food bank. The National Division has recently sent an additional \$13,000 to Dulac to cover unanticipated expenses in the aftermath of Hurricane Andrew and the change in directorship. Mary will no longer serve on the Board. The entire report is on file.

GRANT ON HOPE AND WHOLENESS--Mary Quinones, has applications for grants for the Hope and Wholeness Funds and all of the information will be sent to the district presidents and conference officers. To receive a grant, you do not have to be connected with the United Methodist Church

to apply for this grant. July 1, is the deadline for the applications to be returned to the Women's Division, therefore I will need to get them by June. The complete information will be provided upon request.

SAGER BROWN AND JURISDICTION--Cathy Parker, said that Sager Brown is now an enabling mission. They are training volunteers in mission. They will cook the meals, they have training programs, house rehabilitation for the neighbors, etc. If you wish to visit, please contact me.

The Jurisdictional Education for Mission Task Force has chosen the Houchene Community Center in El Paso, Texas for the pilot program on training for mission. The training dates are March 17 and 18. Plans will be finalized on Wednesday, March 16 for observing programs and activities at the center. On Thursday and Friday the schedule includes a tour of the center and time to observe some of the activities. In addition to observing, assistance will be given such as additional tutoring in Math and English to help keep the children in school. There are both young and old at this school. There will be 27 of us helping with the programs. Saturday a meeting is planned for evaluation and plans for the next pilot program. The next report will have more details after participating in the Hands-on Experience.

ST. MARK'S COMMUNITY CENTER--Lynn Foil said, that "St. Mark's like everyone else is looking to see where we will be in the year 2000. A representative from National Division came down for an on site inspection of the building and the Board is meeting this weekend for an Annual Planning Retreat.

This is the Twentieth Anniversary of the Street Academy. They are the only school of this caliber to be involved in the Algebra Project. Our Day Care Centers are picking up. The entire report is on file."

ANNUAL MEETING 1995--Kathleen Conrad. The 1995 Annual UMW meeting is scheduled to be held September 15-16, 1994 at Asbury UMC, pastored by Dr. Bob Burgess. The church is located at 101 Live Oak Blvd. Lafayette, LA. The Co-chairperson is Mary Spell.

Three hotels have been contacted for rates on the 200 rooms which will possibly be needed for the meeting. The hotels are: Hotel Acadiana, Lafayette Hilton & Towers and Holiday Inn Central (Holidome). Complete report is on file.

FOLLOW-UP FOCUS GROUP--Lottie Palazzo and Kathleen Conrad will be our conference representatives and will work with the local units. The whole conference is asked to select three units: a strong unit, a struggling unit, and an ethnic unit. One group of non-UMW members. It could be ladies from several churches, or it may be from different

churches but are non UMW. We are trying to find out, if they are not UMW members, how come? These are just church women, who are not UMW members. Send in your suggestions to me by the end of February. We are talking about four meetings.

DISTRICT PRESIDENTS-NOMINATING COMMITTEE---Membership Report. We discussed problems, and gave suggestions for solutions in this brain storming session. A Copy will be given to Harriette.

Pat complimented all members for the splendid way in which the meetings ran this week end. Emily McCoy gave us the sending Forth Prayer.

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Examiners:

Joyce Hazel
Lottie Palazzo

Fannie P. Reddix
Secretary

**LOUISIANA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
July 20, 1994**

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women's meeting was held in the small room of the Bynum Cafeteria. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Pat, the president, who presided. An opening devotional was given by Lynn Foil.

Present were: Maxie Garrett, Lottie Palazzo, Lynn Foil Carolyn Colvin, Barbara Hamilton, Joyce Hazel, Emily McCoy, Hilda Sills, Betty Carlin, Fannie Reddix, Pat Cobb, Nancy Carruth, Kathy Shea, Mary Quinones, Mary Margaret Barr, Vera Bulloch, Harriette Elrod, Marie Young, Helen Allemond, Jean Rockhold, Kathleen Conrad, Geneva Bell, and Gail Epperson. Judy Greer was absent because she had surgery last week.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as circulated.

Appointments: Maxie Garrett and Barbara Hamilton were appointed to review the minutes.

Correspondence: The Ujerehs will be coming back to the U. S. January 1995. They hope to be in the United States for about 6 months. The address is available for those who wish to contact them for engagements.

PRESIDENT- Pat Cobb. Since the mid-year meeting, she has represented the Conference UMW at regular meetings of the Conference Council on Ministries, the Conference Nominating Committee, and the Conference Board of Global Ministries. A special meeting of various leaders and project administrators in the Conference was called by the Bishop when Dr. Randolph Nugent, General Secretary of the General Board of Global Ministries, visited the Louisiana Conference in May. This was part of GBOGM-initiated dialogue concerning mission in our state. She said it was encouraging to witness the interest and concern felt from top leaders in the church. Joyce Sohl and Marilyn Winters were part of the listening team.

One Hundred and thirty-eight persons were registered to attend assembly in Cincinnati. It was impossible to get all of us together at one time, so I'm not sure what the final total was. We were proud to have one of our own, Doris Brown, as one of the speakers.

The Regional School experience was very helpful. My Study Group Leader was Gwen White, whom many will remember as leader of the 1993 Conference Retreat. She provided the same excellent leadership style that we come to admire. Officer Update was very informative and offered camaraderie and support of counterparts. The presidents had "Lunch with Lucy" (Burciaga), president of the Jurisdiction Core Planning Team. Among other things, she announced that the Presidents' Consultation and Core Planning Team meeting will be held in New Orleans in May 1995.

The Mail dealing with the Re-Imagining Conference has diminished, but the issue is still alive; I am on a committee of the Conference Board of Global Ministries to look into this matter. Bishop Oden is on a committee of Bishops looking into this theology.

I want to express special thanks to Lottie Palazzo for making the presentation of a Special Mission Recognition Pin to Rev. Barbara Duke at Annual Conference, in my absence. Thanks also to Marie Young, who escorted Barbara to the podium. Also, I would add my gratitude for all the prayers and concerns with my husband's illness that necessitated our leaving Conference early. I am delighted to report that he is much better now.

VICE-PRESIDENT- Betty Carlin. No. report. The program committee met last night to rewrite some of the goals and to plan for the School of Mission Officer Update. The goals will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

SECRETARY-1994 SCHOOL OF MISSION DEAN-WEST GULF REGIONAL SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE. Fannie P. Reddix. It seems like its been light years since I attended the last executive committee meeting. If I were to win the race because of the myriad activities I have experienced--than I won! The planning meeting of the West Gulf

Regional School was held at the Ramada Inn in Georgetown, TX February 25-27, 1994. I submitted the design entries from Lois Heath and Rita Rebouche for the school cover; but the winning design was from Little Rock, AR. I also submitted the meditation by Lynn Foil, which was included in the devotional booklet at regional school. Our table graces were prepared by the St. James Day Care Center in Shreveport, under the guidance of Gladys Prillerman. The table graces were placed on the table at regional school, by Hilda Sills. Our display theme was, Making the World Safe for Children. Kathleen Conrad assisted me in setting up and taking down the display. As usual, Dr. Roscoe C. Reddix, was kind to prepare the display for us. I was the class secretary for my class, Family: Drawing the Circle Wide; my teacher was Rev. Frank Jones.

The fall meeting of the five Regional Schools will take place at Scarritt-Bennett Center in Nashville, TN November 3-5, 1994. The spring meeting of the West Gulf Regional School will be held February 24-26, 1995 in Abilene, Texas. The 1995 West Gulf Regional School will be held at McMurry University, Abilene, TX June 25-29.

The Assembly in Cincinnati, Ohio was another memorable occasion for me. I participated in two focus groups: Balancing Your Life With Your Family, Work and Church; and Children and the Media. I also assisted in collecting the Assembly offering on the last day. Thank you UMW! for providing that opportunity for me.

As secretary, I have written a memo to my counterparts that I will mail as soon as I return to New Orleans. I have completed one set of minutes. I have felt the prayers of many and ask that you continue to pray for me.

As Dean of the 1994 School of Christian Mission, I have spent many hours in preparation. Thank you for your support and prayers you have offered for me. All of our study leaders are ready to have a mountaintop experience this week at Centenary. As of this date, all of the study leaders will be teaching this week. We will, however, have to work with Centenary's renovation of the cafeteria. Everything is ready to go. God Bless the 1994 School of Mission!

TREASURER- Kathy Shea. The allowance for car mileage was increased from 13 cents per mile to 15 cents per mile. The total proposed pledge for 1995 is \$298,000.00. The breakdown will be presented at the Annual Meeting. More information will be given at the next meeting.

FINANCIAL INTERPRETER- Mary Quinones. The Annual financial mailing to local presidents and treasurers, district and conference officers went out in mid-June (thanks to Kathy Shea's help). We included again the letter reference Special Offering for District & Conference Retiring Officers, the Mission Candle form, a Five-Star Undesignated Giving Program sheet, an explanation sheet on World Thank Offering Month celebrated in October and an invitation sheet for units to use to solicit individual member participation. I still have great difficulty getting the names and addresses of local treasurers from the districts.

The revised "31-derful Ways to Say Thanks" sheet is going out in the August conference newsletter. I revised both the Bible study and suggestions for daily giving. The use of this study could also be promoted through Christian Personhood and Christian Global Concerns. That way we might get greater participation. The units need only photocopy the "31-derful" sheet and invitation for their members and give each member a sticker for a World bank (ordered free for postage and handling from Service Center).

Our offering at this 1994 School of Christian Mission will be "Undesignated, in Honor of All Children" and, in particular, those children whose names we inscribe on the Honor Scroll for Children. The Honor Scroll will be located in the lobby of James Dorm, with an offering box. What we collect from the box will be added to the offering taken on Sunday.

There will be a financial display in the learning center at School of Mission. The display emphasizes FIVE-STAR "LIVING" IN LOUISIANA. Members are asked to make a commitment to five-star "living" and place their star in their districts on a map on the display. They will also receive a garland star circle with 5-star beads to wear, showing others of their personal commitment.

Our skit for UMW Focus will include the treasurer, secretary for financial interpretation, secretary for publicity and public relations, secretary, coordinator for Christian Global Concerns, and chairperson of Membership Committee. We have planned greater emphasis on membership, with spot info on other offices included. Our theme is "Bring in the She's--We Better Say "Yes" to U. M. W.

Since the mid-year executive committee, I have solicited grant applications for the Women's Division's Hope and Wholeness Grant Funds from 1993. We advertised in the conference newsletter and through District Presidents, Treasurers and SFI's. I received 6 completed applications and forwarded them via Certified Mail to the Women's Division Office of Financial Interpretation, Attention Annette Funk, on June 20, 1994. All had complete information, and I believe have a good chance of receiving a grant.

I still plan to send out a mailing to District Officers and Conference Officers regarding the Assembly Offering and our Louisiana Conference Center Project. I was unable to do this since May 14th, as proposed at our Finance Meeting in Pineville.

We have "UMW Is My Bag" tote bags to sell at School of Mission. Our total cost was \$5.20 per bag, plus \$25 for the artwork setup. I feel we should ask \$8.00 per bag rather than \$7.00. After experiencing the additional costs involved with the T-shirts, this increase would allow for unanticipated expenses. We ordered 150 bags for a total bill of \$780.00.

COORDINATOR FOR CHRISTIAN PERSONHOOD- Helen M. Allemond. After much confusion, I think I can now say, I am ready for School of Christian Mission. In February, I wrote a letter to the District Christian Personhood Coordinators. No wonder I never received their devotions by June, they never received the letter. I wrote to them again. This time I received their devotion, except for one district.

Kathy Shea so graciously offered to get the booklet together for me. I was happy to send all the information to her. A million thanks to Kathy.

I mailed letters in April assigning responsibilities to each district for the School of Christian Mission. North Shore and Acadiana will be responsible for the Worship Center and Devotional Room. New Orleans, Ruston and Shreveport will prepare prayers/table graces lifting up the family and children for Thursday and Friday.

Alexandria and Lake Charles will prepare prayers/table graces lifting up our love and concerns for Africa. Monroe will design a poster giving directions to the Worship/Devotional Room. Baton Rouge will post the district responsible for each day in the worship/Devotional Room and the cafeteria.

Reports on the reading program from each district are due by August 15. The reading certificates are signed and ready to complete. Thanks to Pat and Lottie. All the District Christian Personhood coordinators are so nice and congenial to work with. They have made my job a pleasure.

COORDINATOR FOR CHRISTIAN GLOBAL CONCERNS- Marie Young. I was not able to attend mid-year Executive Meeting at Tall Timbers in February 1994 or Assembly in May, due to illness.

I did attend NOTE in Chicago in November, 1993, and Regional School of Mission at Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas in June 1994. I attended the class on African Churches Speak taught by Bishop C. Dale White, and will go to Conference School of Mission July 21-24, 1994.

Eighth-four (84) Certificates of Excellence have been prepared. All districts have reported with a slight increase over last year. There has been a change in the reporting for Excellence in Study--need to complete 4 hours with 50% of the members of the study group attending each time. This change is found in the Handbook, Focus on Local Unit, page 47.

All District Global Concerns Coordinators have been advised to attend the School of Mission, and to work with local units in urging attendance at Mini-School and Local Leaders Training.

Birthday cards have been and will be sent to our missionaries from Louisiana. Plans are being made for DELT--the date is October 15, 1994--at First United Methodist Church in Pineville--with Rev. Betsy Irvine as the speaker. Will hear more on this after School of Mission.

COORDINATOR FOR CHRISTIAN SOCIAL INVOLVEMENT/CONFERENCE BOARD CHURCH & SOCIETY--Geneva Bell. From March up to a week ago, because of my husband's illness, I have not been able to function in this office as Coordinator, that is, corresponding with the District or making legislative calls, etc... However, if I received a request for materials or information, I tried to reply.

I pray to God that I have not hindered the progress of this mission area. Everyone has been so supportive through the years of Clarence's illness and especially the last few months. I thank each of you for your prayers, love and kindness.

COORDINATOR FOR SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY--Hilda Sills. First, I would like to thank the Executive Committee for sending me as a delegate to the Assembly. It was a lovely experience. I had the opportunity to be one of the leaders in the Intercessory Prayer Room. I also assisted Mary Quinones with the collection. In the Officers' Update, the Certificate for Supportive Community was discussed and well accepted. I emphasized that this was one way of utilizing some of the many materials sent to us from the Women's Division.

Since my last report, I've received a lot of new information from the Women's Division. I was able to increase the selections for the certificates. They are: (1) The Campaign for Children has been extended, so units who had not done the report from the booklet on pages 79-80 may do so and mail to the Women's Division. (2) A survey was sent on Women's Work. I made copies and mailed to all of the coordinators, now they have six items to select four from.

West Gulf Regional School of Mission was an inspirational learning experience as always. Officers' Update was very informative on how we can become better coordinators. I brought a copy of the Certificate of Recognition and most of the coordinators remembered the March Issue of "Response" section on Bright Lights where this program was highlighted. Each Conference requested a copy of the guidelines. Copies were made and distributed for the implementation in the other conferences.

I was also elected to serve on the Committee on Nominations for the West Gulf Region.

Thanks again for counting me in!

MEMBERSHIP/UMW SUNDAY/ESTELLE DAMERON SCHOLARSHIPS--Harriette Elrod. Our 1993 Membership survey shows there are 341 units of UMW in our Louisiana Conference. There are 14 applicants for the Estelle Dameron Scholarships. The applicants and districts are: Acadiana--Calvary Unit: Gwen Streams-Sherrer, Emanuel Unit: Mary Lee Shelvin and Trinity: Eliza P. Collins. Baton Rouge--Asbury: Mary Ella Tutson, Neely: Ida Lynn Machen and Sadie Moton, St. James: Angella L. Pearley. Lake Charles: FUMC: Tammie Mayo and Jane Reynolds, Prospect-Hornbeck: Lillie H. Davis. New Orleans--Gretna: Lajanice Londro, Peck: Mary Ann Williams and Phillips Memorial: Dalton Barnes. North Shore--Wesley Ray: Michelle Jefferson.

Reports were received from 233 units for UMW Sunday observance. Our district membership chairpersons are working hard to communicate the need to report membership enrollment and to report UMW Sunday activities. Many units sent pictures and programs to help make our scrapbook attractive and informative. Mable Claire Placke of the Tallulah UMW Unit made the new attendance banner to begin use this 1994 mission school session.

PROGRAM RESOURCES--Lottie Palazzo. I am grateful to have been enabled by the Conference to attend Assembly and Regional School, both of which helped greatly to broaden my understanding even more of relationships through United Methodist Women.

Women's Division and Conference Executive Committee gave permission to round-off prices of resources to the nearest dollar (or quarter) and this will be done at school. We have permission to hold unsold items over for Annual Meeting to avoid extra postage of returns and reshipment. Additional items can be ordered as requested. We have, I believe, an adequate supply of resources, with many reading

program books! Beginning next year, we will be allowed to order up to 3 copies of any reading program book.

SECRETARY, PUBLICITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS--Kathleen Conrad. Hosea 4:6 begin with the statement, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." As Secretary of Publicity and Public Relations, I feel I have only begun to surface the spreading of the gospel to tell the story of the mission work of the United Methodist Women. It is through this medium of news articles published both in the Methodist Reporter and the LA Conference United Methodist Women papers, the story continues to be related to others. In the past 8 months I have traveled over 9,020 air miles to places unknown to be but in the full knowledge of Christ, all for the call of mission.

April 28 proved to be a mountain top experience in my life as a United Methodist Woman in Cincinnati, Ohio, as I attended the UMW Assembly. I assisted in promoting Response magazine by working in the Response booth and concluded my assigned responsibilities in the closing ceremony on May 1 as a flag bearer and streamer weaver. On May 6 and 7 I continued to share the story of mission as I taught the mission study of the People of the Caribbean to members of the UMW unit at Mallalieu United Methodist Church in Lafayette.

June 22-26 marked an all time high of mission stories at the West Gulf Regional School of Christian Mission. I met four people from Africa and was able to share and compare the mission work of the United Methodist Church. The educational process progressed in fellowship with other storytellers throughout the duration of the school.

Ideas collected from the West Gulf Regional School may now be experienced by persons at our Conference School of Mission in the form of a display area in the Learning Center featuring various forms of publicity of United Methodist Women as well as various ideas incorporated into the evening fellowships.

Officer Update for Public Relations persons led by Sue Johnson, (regional staff person) and Yvette Moore (Managing editor of Response Magazine) proved to be both informative and challenging. Various ideas were exchanged that created more effective ways in which Publicity and Public Relations persons could interact effectively with United Methodist Women in all offices and all levels to effectively promote the task of which we have all been called.

The joy of the Lord is my strength and it is because of His grace I am delighted to serve the conference of LA United Methodist Women as Secretary of Publicity and Public Relations.

EDITOR--Nancy Carruth. The newsletter is in printing now and will be mailed by August 8, 1994. Kathy Shea offered to help with the mailing of the newsletters. Please remind the secretaries to send the correct labels as soon as possible. Conference officers can place articles in the newsletter. A Standing Rules will not be included in this newsletter. A separate mailing of the Standing Rules will be sent to the presidents, sometime in August. All materials for the Retreat Newsletter must be in before December 15, 1994.

HISTORIAN--Judy Greer. No report.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS--Barbara Hamilton. The Executive Committee is to be commended on the fine job that you have done so far. Please give us a copy of your job description, along with the completed officer questionnaire that I am passing out now. The Committee on Nominations held its first meeting during the Mid-Year Executive meeting at Tall Timbers, February 18-19, 1994. At that time, all the conference vacancies were identified.

The Committee on Nominations recommend the following persons for Conference Office for the year 1995-1996. The nominees to be elected at the 1994 Annual Meeting are: Vice-President--Hilda Sills; Treasurer--Mary Quinones; Secretary for Financial Interpretation--Lois Heath; Mission Coordinators for: Christian Personhood--Helen Allemond; supportive Community--Lou Medlock; Christian Social Involvement--Muriel Miller and Committee on Nominations for 4-years Term: Norma Winegeart, Ethel Lilly, Joyce Hazel and Chairperson--Jan Randolph (2 years).

The retiring officers for 1994 are: Vice-President, Betty Carlin; Treasurer, Kathryn Shea; Christian Social Involvement, Geneva Bell; Chairperson, Committee on Nominations, Barbara Hamilton; Committee on Nominations committee member, Susanna Rose.

Officers continuing in office: President, Pat Cobb; Secretary, Fannie P. Reddix; Christian Global Concerns, Marie Young; Secretary, Program Resources, Lottie Palazzo; Committee on Membership Chairperson, Harriette Elrod; Secretary, Publicity and Public Relations, Kathleen Conrad; and Committee on Nominations committee members: Jane Deville, Jan Randolph, Joyce Armstrong, Joan Miller and Elouise Sanders.

IT WAS MOVED BY KATHLEEN CONRAD AND SECONDED BY MAXIE GARRETT THAT THE BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING WHICH IS HELD IN JULY, WILL TAKE PLACE IN SEPTEMBER BEFORE THE ANNUAL MEETING. THE JULY MEETING WILL DEAL ONLY WITH PROGRAMMATIC ISSUES--SCHOOL OF MISSION AND OFFICER UPDATE FROM THE REGIONAL SCHOOL.

COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM--Betty Carlin. The program committee met yesterday and today. The theme song for Officer Update which will take place on Friday night at School of Mission is based on the one used at the 1994 Women's Assembly, "Lord I am Available To You." The President, Vice-President, Nominations Chairperson, and Program Resources Secretary, will be a part of the first phase of the officer update. The second phase will include Supportive community, Christian Social Involvement and Christian Personhood coordinators. The last phase will include Treasurer, SFI, Secretary, Secretary for Publicity and Public Relations, Christian Global Concerns and Membership in a skit, "Bring in the She's" by Mary Quinones.

Two of the goals will remain the same as the 1994 goals. Two other goals involving Supportive Community and Five Stars of Living will appear in the Annual Meeting program.

The Retreat will be held at Tall Timbers, February 24-26, 1995. Betty Ferrington will be the Retreat Leader. Seola and I will contact the officials again at Tall Timbers in December, to make final plans.

1994 Annual Meeting--Mary Margaret Barr, Chairperson. The Annual Meeting will be held at Broadmoor United Methodist Church in Shreveport, September 16-17, 1994. The theme is "Rekindle God's Gifts!" based on II Timothy 1:6,7. Publicity information has gone to the newsletter editor and local committees are working diligently to have everything ready to welcome us. Dr. Carolyn Johnson, Women's Division President, will be our keynote speaker. Because of previous commitments, she will speak to us twice on Friday.

The following restaurants have agreed to be available to set up for groups of 10-25 to eat together for Friday p.m. This will not be in a private dining room, and each person would order from the restaurant's menu and take care of her own check. In Shreveport: Don's Seafood & Steak House; Kon Tiki; Ming Garden; Piccadilly Cafeteria; Shoney's Restaurant; and Bossier City: Sheraton Bossier (Adam's Rib Restaurant); Ralph & Kacoo's' Shoney's Restaurant and Pancho's Mexican Buffet.

1994 DELT--Marie Young. Flyers will be available at the Annual Meeting with the details of DELT. Our Speaker will be Rev. Betsy Irvine. DELT will be held at First UMC in Pineville on October 15, 1994.

1995 Annual Meeting--Kathleen Conrad. The 1995 Annual Meeting plans are well underway. A contract with Hotel Acadiana has been signed and confirmed for the dates of September 14 and 15, with a check-out date of September 16, 1995. A total of 200 rooms have been reserved.

Dr. Ray Burgess, the pastor of Asbury UMC and UMW President, Linda Jacobs have been contacted to confirm the dates for the 1995 Annual Meeting. Linda Jacobs, stated that her term as president of the unit at Asbury would be completed in January of 1995, but that she will assist where needed and certainly extend the invitation for the 1995 Annual Meeting, at the 1994 Annual Meeting in Shreveport.

Peggy Butler, President of UMW at First UMC in Lafayette has been contacted by

letter and phone requesting that First UMC host the executive committee with dinner on Thursday, September 14, 1995. Peggy stated that she will bring this request before the UMW of First UMC at the August 2, 1994 unit meeting and will contact me with the unit's decision.

Three price quotes for printing the program booklet have been received from printers in Lafayette and will be filed with this report.

An invitation has been extended to Dr. C. Gerald Richardson, Acadiana District Superintendent. Ecclesiastics 3:1 states: To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven. I prayerfully submit the following report in this season of new experiences in the time and purpose which I feel God has called me.

1995 School of Mission--Betty Carlin, Dean and Fannie P. Reddix, Assistant Dean.

STANDING RULES--Maxie Garrett, Chairperson. The following is a few of the changes regarding the School of Christian Mission section of the Standing Rules (as reviewed 2/11/92) are being made to be added to the changes presented at the Executive Board meeting on February 18, 1994, at Tall Timbers: Section: School of Christian Mission; #1 which states: "The Dean and the Assistant Dean shall be elected from current members of the Committee of School of Christian Mission no later than the preceding school. Serving as Assistant Dean does not guarantee becoming dean."

The complete report will be voted on at the Annual Meeting and will be included in the Annual Report and Directory of the Annual Meeting highlights.

Charter for Racial Justice--Pat Cobb. Pat said she has received two new Charter for Racial Justice-related publications from the Women's Division: No Hat Allowed, and Focus on Racism in Media. The committee will present a skit at the Annual Meeting on "Unwrapping Gifts." A Humanitarian Award--called The Promise Award, will be initiated at Annual Meeting. This award will be given to a group or individual exhibiting exemplary performance in race relations. The districts will be asked to submit ideas for the criteria for the Promise Award; initially only 5 will be selected. The criteria will be reviewed annually. The committee is developing the criteria for the award. The complete details will be published in the January newsletter.

South Central Jurisdiction Quadrennial Meeting--Kathleen Conrad. The planning committee for the 1996 Quadrennial Meeting met preceding the "Mini Mission Encounter," held in El Paso, TX, which was hosted by the South Central Jurisdiction Education for Mission Task Force.

As representative for the Louisiana Conference, I have been able to submit names of several noteworthy persons from the LA Conference to be considered as musicians, speakers, and liturgist for the 1996 Quadrennial meeting to be held in Omaha, Nebraska.

A planning meeting was held in Georgetown, TX, prior to the Regional School of Christian Mission.

The next planning meeting is scheduled for March, 1995, at the site of the Quadrennial Meeting in Omaha, Nebraska.

Jurisdiction/National Seminar--Two delegates will be selected to attend the seminar: 1 conference officer and 1 district officer. Also 1 delegate must be a minority and 1 must be under 40 years of age. The National Seminar is scheduled for August 19-25, 1995.

Pat suggested that we think about some type of identifying badge, etc. to be worn at future Women's Assembly Conferences. She said, we need something that will be catchy and will indicate that we are from Louisiana.

PROJECT REPORTS:

Dulac--There will be a display for Dulac and MacDonell in the Learning Center at School of Mission. Mary Quinones will be in charge of the arrangements for it.

St. Mark's--Lynn Foil. The St. Mark's Community Center is experiencing financial as well as programmatic difficulties. The complete report is being filed.

ACADIANA DISTRICT--Emily O. McCoy, President. This year, the Acadiana District started out with four major goals. Further details will be found in the District Highlights of this Annual Report.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT - No report.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT--Rita Parham, President. From mid-year Executive Meeting to date, Baton Rouge District UMW has had great success in fulfilling goals and working for mission. Further details of this report will appear in the District Highlights section of this directory.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT--Joyce Hazel, President. Local units in the Lake Charles District has been engaged in a wide variety of mission activities and projects. Further details will be appear in the District Highlights section of this directory.

MONROE DISTRICT--Vera Bulloch, President. Since we last reported, the Monroe District Executive committee met on March 5, 1994. During that meeting we worked up and adopted a budget for 1995. We also made plans for our spring retreat. Further details will be appear in the District Highlights section of this directory.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT--Lynn Foil, President. Once more, Spring Retreat was exciting and renewing in New Orleans. The meeting was held at St. Bernard UMC and that unit was quite dubious about hosting a District function as they had never attempted such a thing. They expressed so much joy, actually the word they used was "fun" and thanked us over and over for coming. Further details will appear in the District Highlights section of this directory.

NORTH SHORE DISTRICT--Gail Epperson, President. Our year progresses very well. Loranger UMW organized a District Study of the Caribbean. It was my pleasure to teach this unit with the assistance of the teacher from my unit's study. Further details of this report will appear in the District Highlights section of this directory.

RUSTON DISTRICT--Jean Rockhold, President. We are having a good year. Our Spring meeting was held March 6 at Harmony Chapel UMC with 92 persons in attendance, representing 17 units. Pat Stahl, our speaker, was inspirational and challenging. Further details of this report will appear in the District Highlights section of this directory.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT--Carolyn Colvin, President. In February the Shreveport District Executive Committee met at Broadmoor UMC. One item of business was to complete plans for our Retreat. Also discussed was information from Women's Division regarding the Re-Imagining Conference. Our district leaders continue to be concerned about negative publicity UMW has received regarding Women's Division participation in this event. Further details of this report will appear in the District Highlights section of this directory.

With a prayer led by Helen Allemond, and the singing of the hymn, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow," the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Examiners:

Maxie Garrett
Barbara Hamilton

Fannie P. Reddix
Secretary

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
September 15, 1994

The Executive committee, Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women, met Thursday, September 15, 1994, 7:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Bossier City, LA. Pat Cobb, President, presided.

Members present for the meeting: Pat Cobb, Betty Carlin, Fannie Reddix, Kathryn Shea, Helen Allemond, Hilda Sills, Geneva Bell, Marie Young, Mary Quinones, Lottie Palazzo, Kathleen Conrad, Harriette Elrod, Emily McCoy, Margie Morrish, Rita Parham, Joyce Hazel, Vera Bullock, Lynn Foil, Jean Rockhold, Carolyn Colvin, Judy Greer, Maxie Garrett, and Cathy Parker. Others present: Nominee for Financial Interpretation Lois Heath, Mary Margaret Barr and Rose Fitzgerald, Chairperson and Co-chairperson of 1994 Annual Meeting, Seola Callahan, Chairperson of 1995 Conference Retreat, Wilma Crosby, Norma Winegeart, and Jan Atkinson from South Central Jurisdiction.

The devotional which was based on Ephesians 4:14, from the Living Bible was given by Geneva Bell.

APPOINTMENTS-Marie Young and Betty Carlin were appointed to examine the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE- The president read the thank you notes received from Gwen Sherrer, Estelle Dameron Scholarship winner, and Barbara Duke, for the Special Recognition Pin. Nancy Carruth was returning from a General Conference and would arrive late. Dr. Carolyn Johnson's flight plans had changed and she would be picked up by Norma later tonight.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-Carolyn Colvin's mother-in-law fell and broke some bones. Muriel Miller lost her sister and son was diagnosed with cancer. Barbara Young, was in hospital. Janet Ward's mother was in hospital. Bea Moak is now home from the hospital.

Rita Parham invited all to attend St. Mark's special brunch on Saturday September 24 and Women's Day Celebration on Sunday, September 25, 1994. Theresa Hoover will be the guest speaker.

MINUTES-Minutes of the July 20, 1994 meeting were mailed. The corrections as submitted by Maxie Garrett, examiner, were noted and will be corrected. It was moved by Vera Bullock and seconded by Kathleen Conrad that the minutes were accepted with the noted corrections.

GREETINGS-Jan Atkinson brought greetings from the South Central Jurisdiction. She said that the 1996 Quadrennial Meeting will be the culmination of her job. She passed out nomination forms for jurisdiction. Jan also said that her mother was one of the 24 women who formulated the United Methodist Women. Her mother, Mrs. Lenore Clark, was also a good friend to Virginia Laskey.

MISSION TEAM REPORTS- Reports as received are on file giving details of the following highlights:

PRESIDENT-This report, the first for Pat as Conference President, contained highlights of the conference activities this year and her attendance at the Women's Assembly and NOTE. At Assembly, She said, "we were very proud to have Doris Brown participate on the program." When she attended NOTE, her group leaders were: Barbara Campbell, Joyce Sohl and Carolyn Johnson.

Leadership Workshop. The Women's Division, conducted a Leadership Development Workshop for the Conference Executive Committee in January, entitled "Unwrapping the Gifts Within."

Strategic Planning Seminar. Pat said, "the Conference elected leaders made LOVE visible by participating in a Strategic Planning Seminar as part of a five-year plan looking into ways to be a more effective organization in the next century."

The evaluation reports indicated an increase of 299 members. Four new units were formed last year. Attendance at the Conference School of Mission was 228.

The Pledge to Mission fell short by about \$10,000 in 1993.

During the year, Pat said, "we were exposed to some controversial liturgy. Most of us are uncomfortable with change. Whatever our personal feelings, I believe it is helpful for us to "rekindle our gifts" and examine our beliefs from time to time. If we truly follow Jesus' directive to love our neighbor as ourselves, we must allow others the same freedom we claim. We will be stronger as individuals and as United Methodist Women."

In Pat's first year as President, she has seen the gifts of power, love and self-discipline shown in many ways. Her predecessor, Norma Winegeart, has been invaluable in providing her with the comfort, support and information in a loving way. She also has been upheld by the power and love of her UMW sisters.

VICE PRESIDENT-Betty Carlin as the 1995 Dean of the School of Christian Mission, reports that she has received affirmative answers from teachers for the following studies: Ecclesiastes -Mary Lou Blakeman, Rev. Arnold Brown and Rev. Marva Mitchell; Europe- Doris Brown, Gloria Bennett and Robert Young. She is still waiting to hear from Ron Petty; United Nations- Barbra Stauser; and Betty Ann Keyes. Betty is still waiting to hear from Audrey Milo. Betty thanked the Executive Committee for the opportunity to serve, to develop her leadership skills, and continue to grow spiritually.

SECRETARY-Fannie Reddix as the 1994 Dean, School of Christian Mission, presented several highlights. The studies were: African Churches Speak, Making the World Safe For Children, and Family-Drawing the Circle Wide. The attendance banner went to the New Orleans. The final attendance was 228. The evaluations indicated that this was a very good school.

Fannie thanked the Executive Committee/School Committee for the opportunity to serve as Dean. In 1995, she will serve as assistant dean.

TREASURER-Kathryn Shea reported a balance of \$55,720.03 in an interest-bearing account. Districts have received the first three quarters of their 1994 A & MD Funds. Of our \$300,000 pledge to missions, \$125,646.33 had been paid by mid-year.

Kathryn thanked the Executive Committee for the opportunity to serve for the past two years.

SECRETARY FOR FINANCIAL INTERPRETATION-Mary Quinones reports that \$9,927.71 has been reported by the districts for the mission candle. There are approximately 80 five-star units who will receive certificates for 1993-94. T-shirts are still available for sale, as well as tote bags.

Mary received a message from Reggie Billiot from Dulac Community Center that they are doing quite well. Nicholls State will offer courses beginning this fall, and their finances are back in the black.

Mary thanked the Executive Committee for the opportunity to serve for the past four years. She will be installed as the new Treasurer.

THE 1995 LOUISIANA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN JOURNAL WILL BE DEDICATED TO JUDY ROUNTREE, A FORMER CONFERENCE TREASURER.

Jurisdiction Education for Mission- Cathy Parker reported that the Education for Mission Task Force met at Houchen Center in El Paso, TX on March 16-18, 1994. This was a hands-on experience for everyone who attended. Some of the activities included, cleaning cots, serving meals, and helping with the "Learning is Fun Today" program which is held after school.

She said, "the Houchen Center Director, Robert Aguirre, gave a brief history, social and economic background of the community as well as the center." The center began as a place for unwed mothers and now services over five hundred people a day who come for day care, youth activities, and adult programs of sewing, ceramics and education.

Darla Rowley, Missionary in residence, helped the group make a global connection gaining new understanding. Cathy said the Cluster I Educational For Mission Mini Event also visited the Lydia Patterson Institute and joined them, their staff, and board members in celebration of their 80 years in operation. Dr. George W. C. Calvin, Director of Special Ministries, was also in attendance.

Education For Mission Cluster #2 Event - Della Lamb. Cathy Parker reported that they met at Della Lamb Neighborhood House, August 14-17, 1994 in Kansas City, Missouri. Delta Lamb was founded by a Methodist Woman in 1897 to keep lower income children in her home. From this start, we now have day care with the primary focus of Child Care. The program runs from Monday through Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with a fee for preschool age children. A graduated sibling fee scale was provided for the parents of several children. This facility now provides quality educational development in language, science, math, art and music. Here again hands-on experiences were enjoyed by all.

DELT- Marie Young reported that the plans have been made for DELT to be held on Saturday, October 15, 1994 at First UMC in Pineville. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the program will start at 10:00. Rev. Betsy Irvine will be the speaker on Women and Children. The training will follow. The meeting is scheduled to end by 1:30 p.m. Kathryn Shea and local units from Pineville UMW are assisting with local arrangements.

It was the consensus of the committee that the evaluation forms for DELT, would be filled out during lunch.

1995 West Gulf Regional School-will take place June 25-29, 1995 at McMurry University in Abilene, TX. Fannie will attend the National Regional School Planning meeting on November 4-6, 1994 at Scarritt Bennett in Nashville, TN. The Spring West Gulf Regional School meeting will be held on February 24-26, 1995 in Abilene, TX.

1995 Conference Retreat-Seola Callahan reported that the 1995 Louisiana Conference UMW Retreat will be held at Tall Timbers Conference Center February 24-26. The Theme: THE FACES OF GOD. The Scripture: Psalm 27:8 "Come," my heart says, "seek his face!" Your face, Lord do I seek. (NRSV) Our own Betty Ferrington, former Conference Vice President, will be the retreat leader. Norma Winegeart will serve as Registrar. Accommodations will be for three (3) to a room. The Communion Celebrant will be Rev. Darlene Moore-James, Pastor of Jones-Mallalieu-Trinity Churches in Welsh; and John and Leslie Fugh of First UMC Pineville will be in charge of music.

Members of the Retreat Task group are: Seola Callahan-chairperson, Betty Carlin-vice chairperson; Norma Winegeart, Pat Cobb, Mary Quinones, Lottie Palazzo, Hilda Sills and Lois Heath.

1995 Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting: February 10-11, Tall Timbers.

National Seminar: August 18-25, 1995, Nashville, TN. Joyce Hazel was elected as one of the representatives. The others will be named at a later date. The selection should include: conference, district, under 40, ethnic and rural area.

Hilda Sills asked whether a specified coordinator should be one of the representatives to this seminar. Pat said she did not recall that as one of the criterions for this seminar.

1995 School of Christian Mission- Betty said the planning meeting will be held on November 12, 1994 at Horseshoe UMC in Alexandria. Communications will be sent out with more details.

1994 Annual Meeting-Mary Margaret Barr, Chairperson, presented the program to us. She said that her printer gave us a 15% discount on the printing of the program. She thanked Carolyn Colvin who did the typing of the program for the printer. The Theme: **REKINDLE GOD'S GIFTS !** Special Guest Speaker, Dr. Carolyn Johnson, President of the Women's Division, will be with us on Friday. Mary gave us the "Laying on of Hands" ceremony materials that we will need for this phase of the Annual Meeting Program.

She also said that the front pews will be reserved for the program participants, and officers.

EVALUATIONS The district presidents were given the annual evaluation forms that are due by December 1.

Retiring Officers- Conference Officers -Betty, Kathy, and Geneva; and District President- Joyce and Lynn expressed their appreciation for opportunities to serve, develop leadership skills, supportive community and continuous spiritual growth.

PROJECT DIRECTOR- Jerry Bridges has just completed twenty-five years of service to the MacDonell United Methodist Children's Services. Pat suggested that we should give a gift to mission in his honor. Mary suggested that we should send a card to Jerry letting him know how much we appreciate his dedicated service and that we have sent a gift to mission in his honor. Kandy Theriot, a marketing director for MacDonell's, will give the report of the project.

IT WAS MOVED BY KATHLEEN AND SECONDED BY MARY Q. THAT WE WOULD SEND THE CARD TO JERRY AND THE GIFT TO MISSION IN HIS HONOR.

Program Resources- Lottie said that she has the books for the 1994 and 1995 Reading Program available.

1995 DELT- October 20-21 at Tall Timbers. A special representative from the Women's Division will be with us, during that time.

After forming a circle and singing, "Blest Be The Tide," the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Examiners:

Marie Young
Betty Carlin

Fannie P. Reddix
Secretary

**LOUISIANA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 17, 1994**

The meeting was called to order by the president, Pat. The grace was given by Helen Allemond. Lunch was provided by Broadmoor United Methodist Women.

The new officers: Hilda Sills, vice-president; Mary Quinones, Treasurer; Muriel Miller, Christian Social Involvement; Lois Heath, Secretary for Financial Interpretation; Jan Randolph, Chairperson of Committee on Nominations; Lou Medlock, Supportive Community; Members of Committee on Nominations, Norma Winegeart, Ethel Lilly and Joyce Hazel were introduced.

Each member of the Executive Committee was given a folder with pertinent conference information and an Evaluation Report, entitled "United Methodist Women, The Conference in Mission, January 1993-December, 1993" prepared by Joyce Hamlin, Executive Secretary, Research and Planning, from The Women's Division. Each member was asked to peruse the list for corrections/additions.

Marie Young distributed flyers to the District Presidents highlighting DELT.

NOTE Harriette Elrod will go this year, because she wasn't able to attend last year. Lou Medlock and Muriel will also attend NOTE.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Sandy DeSiles' mother-in-law died September 17, 1994. Susanna Rose had eye surgery. Tillie Sholes' daughter had surgery. Gail Epperson is hospitalized.

The Conference owns a Video and Slide Set on the 1994 Women's Assembly that was held in Cincinnati, OH. Friday night's Annual Meeting Program was videotaped. If the tape is good, it will be duplicated and distributed to the District Presidents.

Carolyn Colvin requested to receive a copy of the newsletters from the districts.

EDITOR - Nancy Carruth reminded us that the deadline for the Retreat newsletter is December 15, 1994. Nancy and Bishop Oden will be attending the World Methodist Council Executive Committee meeting in Tallin, Estonia, September 26- October 3, 1994.

Pat thanked the Broadmoor United Methodist Women for being such gracious hostesses this weekend.

After the prayer by Helen Allemond, the meeting was adjourned.

Examiners: Marie Young
Betty Carlin

Fannie P. Reddix
Secretary

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REKINDLE GOD'S GIFTS!

The Twenty-First Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women opened Friday, September 16, 1994 at 1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary of Broadmoor United Methodist Church, Shreveport, LA. President Pat Cobb convened the meeting and presided. The president led the assembly in affirming the purpose of United Methodist Women read in unison.

WELCOME - Welcomes were given by Reverend William Peeples, Pastor of Broadmoor United Methodist Church; Rose Fitzgerald, President of Broadmoor United Methodist Women; and Carolyn Colvin, President of Shreveport District United Methodist Women.

Special Guests and visitors recognized were Dr. Carolyn Johnson, President of Women's Division; and Jan Atkinson of South Central Jurisdiction. Former presidents in attendance were Janelle McCammon, and Norma Winegeart, Former Wesleyan Service Guild Secretaries were Gloria Bennett and Minza Rabun. A letter was read from Bishop and Mrs. Oden expressing their good wishes for our annual meeting. We also received a letter from Elizabeth McGowan, a former president, expressing her regrets that she could not be with us this weekend. Clergy and spouses were asked to stand. Others introduced were Joyce Reed, State President of Church Women United; Dr. Ray and Delaine DeHainut, missionaries who served in the Dominican Republic; S. T. Tidwell, St. Mark's Community Center Director; and Monroe District Superintendent, Rev. J. Philip Woodland. Others were introduced as they appeared on the program.

PRESENTATION OF THE PROGRAM - Mary Margaret Barr, Chairperson of the Annual Meeting, and Rose Lynne Fitzgerald, Assistant Chairperson presented the program. "Stir Into Flame" by Oraleen Urban was the theme hymn; and the scripture - II Timothy 1:6,7. The cover was designed by Janie James.

LIGHTING OF THE MISSION CANDLE- Celina Johnson, former Coordinator for Christian Personhood conducted the lighting of the Mission Candle, with these words...We have gathered...to rekindle the gifts of God within each member of United Methodist Women. As we light our fifteenth annual Mission Candle, we call to mind past, present and future gifts of God, abundantly given. James 1:17 says that "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights." God is the source of all light--physical, intellectual, moral and spiritual--and He does not change. Praise be to God for His indescribable gifts.

The monetary gifts you have given will support Undesignated Mission through the Women's Division in honor of those persons and groups whose names are inscribed in our Mission Candle Book. In

1994 it costs \$39.13 per minute to support this mission. Our 1994 Mission Candle will burn for 4 hours, 15 minutes, and 1 second, representing Total Gifts of \$10,001.84.

OPENING WORSHIP- Music directors, Organist, and music leaders for the Annual Meeting were Terry Carter, Wayne Millet, Cheryl Gillespie and Dixie Love. Worship began with the singing of the theme hymn, "Stir Into Flame." The opening Devotional was given by Rev. Helena Wright-Butler. The devotion was based on the scripture II Timothy 1: 3-7. "...Those words were written by Paul to Timothy, because Timothy was young and needed to be encouraged." "I suppose that some of us, like the christians of the early church, also need to be encouraged from trying times." "...some of us also have fears...God accepts us and helps us to overcome those fears... and gives us the spirit that we need to work for the glory of God." "...Help us O'Lord to rekindle our Gifts." Amen.

This portion of the program was closed with special music by led by Wayne Millet.

BUSINESS SESSION:

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT _ President Pat Cobb gave the following report:

"The theme for this year's meeting is from the scripture, 2nd Timothy 1:6-7: "...I remind you to rekindle the GIFT of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline." The theme hymn admonishes us to "feel our hearts warmed by His great POWER..." and tells of ways that LOVE is made visible.

What are gifts? James Allen in his book, "As a Man Thinketh" says the "GIFTS", powers, material, intellectual, spiritual possessions are the fruits of effort; they are thoughts completed, objects accomplished, visions realized." If that is the case, gifts can be developed and we accomplish this by using this spirit of power, love and self-discipline. As United Methodist Women we have the opportunity to rekindle gifts on a grand scale. POWER, LOVE, and SELF-DISCIPLINE are abstract terms that we must convert into something tangible.

During my first year as President, I have seen the gifts of power, love and self-discipline shown in many ways. My predecessor, Norma Winegeart, has been invaluable in providing me with comfort, support and information in a most loving way. She truly has the gift of organization. In times of personal trials, I have been upheld by the power and love of my UMW sisters.

When I attended New Officers Training Event, NOTE, in Chicago last December, the President's group was led by Barbara Campbell, Joyce Sohl and Carolyn Johnson, top leaders in the Women's Division. I had met Barbara before, but this was my first meeting

with the others. The spirit of power, love and self-discipline was evident. I felt "rekindled" and was impressed with their faith, their knowledge and their love of this organization of United Methodist Women. Most of us are familiar with them only through articles in **Response** and other publications. They are real people (a la the Velveteen Rabbit, although their hair hasn't been rubbed off). We are fortunate that help is only a phone call away. We can reach out and touch and get the answers to our questions and concerns. The is LOVE made available.

The Women's Division, in an on-going effort to "rekindle God's gifts," conducted a Leadership Development Workshop for the Conference Executive Committee in January, entitled "Unwrapping the Gifts Within." It included Bible study focused on leadership skills of women in the Bible; an overview of the PURPOSE and history of United Methodist Women; creative thinking processes to develop critical thinking skills; group dynamics designed to develop community/team building in the Mission Team and a bibliography to provide additional resources. We sang, "What Gift Can We Bring" and focused on what we value in ourselves and how we can use our gifts.

The Conference elected leaders made LOVE visible by participating in a Strategic Planning Seminar as part of a five-year plan looking into ways to be a more effective organization in the next century, to be "rekindled." Shirley McPherson, a representative of the Women's Division, led this activity. It was duplicated with the officers of the Baton Rouge and New Orleans Districts. The emphasis of this planning was twofold: 1) To hear UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S ideas about how we can best do our work in mission for and with women, children and youth. 2) To use newly developed ideas to help local units meet the needs of new and existing members and test those ideas with UNITED METHODIST WOMEN around the country.

This seminar was held at the time of the mid-year Executive Committee and took some love and self-discipline to make everything fit into the schedule. Data is currently being analyzed and you will be hearing more about this in the future.

Assembly 1994 was held in Cincinnati the end of April. 138 of us from Louisiana joined 11,300 others, as we said COUNT ME IN! We practiced creative waiting...lines are inevitable with numbers such as this...but what a joyous time as we sang, worshipped, fellowshiped and broke bread together. Carolyn Johnson, Women's Division President, reminded us that we are 100 years and counting; 1 million strong and growing. Many on the program demonstrated their gifts and witnessed to the spirit of power and love and self-discipline. We were proud of one of our own, Doris Brown, as she shared her experiences as a UNITED METHODIST WOMAN. The September issue of **Response** has many articles about Assembly, including one about Doris. We will hear more about Assembly from Fannie Thompson a little later.

...This year at Annual Conference, Louisiana United Methodist Women awarded a Special Membership Recognition Pin and certificate to the Rev. Barbara Duke for her outstanding support of our organization. This is another example of "rekindling the gift--LOVE made visible" acknowledging one's gifts. She sent me a note last week expressing her regret at not being with us today because she had another commitment.

Regional School offers Conference leaders an opportunity to "rekindle" by having in-depth dialogue with their Women's Division counterparts as well as having a preview of the studies. Our own Conference School in July featured the spiritual growth study, "Family--Drawing the Circle Wide," "Making the World Safe for Children," and "African Churches Speak." Some 228 were "rekindled." ...These studies were intense and thought-provoking. When they are presented in local units, it is hoped that they will be action-provoking as well...rekindling the gift and making LOVE visible.

I know from reading the Evaluation reports, that many of you in local units are rekindling the gifts. Prayer, study, mission action and service in many areas are recorded. You have expressed a concern about membership; how to sustain, maintain, and increase. It is hoped that the Strategic Planning Seminar I mentioned earlier will be helpful. The Evaluation reports also indicated an increase of 299 members. Four new units were formed last year!

I would like to point out that we failed to meet our Pledge to Mission by almost \$10,000 in 1993. This is the fifth year that we have not reached our goal. Many units spend funds on local projects that do not go through the Conference treasurer, and these projects fill a great need. However, the Women's Division sets their 1995 budget based on funds received in 1993. Since 1993 receipts were \$322,000 less than the previous year, many programs will be curtailed or suffer cutbacks. Won't you help "rekindle" the finances of our Conference?

During the year, we have been exposed to some controversial liturgy. Most of us are uncomfortable with change. It has been said that the only person that likes change is a wet baby! Suppose I came up to you at the appropriate season and said, "Happy Christmas" or "Merry Easter." The meaning is not greatly different, but it sounds awkward. I don't deny that there is some current theology that is not meaningful or even offensive. However, we cannot decide what is meaningful to someone else; we do now know their needs. Whatever our personal feelings, I believe it is helpful for us to "rekindle our gifts" and examine our beliefs from time to time. John Wesley said, "If your heart is as my heart, give me your hand." If we truly follow Jesus' directive to love our neighbor as ourselves, we must allow others the same freedom we claim. We will be stronger as individuals and as United Methodist Women. I invite you to join me in "rekindling our Gifts" in the Louisiana Conference, United Methodist Women.

Charter For Racial Justice-The Committee presented a skit, "Unwrapping Gifts." Geneva Bell and Pat Cobb narrated while Mary Quinones and Fannie Reddix were the gifts that were wrapped. The committee will initiate a humanitarian award that will be called the Promise Award. This award will be given to a group or an individual exhibiting exemplary performance in race relations. The criteria and pertinent details will be published in the 1995 January Newsletter.

Appointment - Jan Randolph and Hilda D. Sills were appointed as examiners of the minutes.

There were no recommendations from the Executive Committee.

ASSEMBLY-Fannie Thompson said that the Assembly was exciting, spirit filled, and well planned. It was a time for recommitting, spiritual renewal, and global awareness. I was glad to be "counted in." Thank you for affording me the opportunity to attend.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED-Joyce Reed, President--Invited all who are not members to join Church Women United. She conducted a little exercise with the ladies, while promoting Church Women United. She reminded us of the state project of health kits for St. Gabriel. She said they deliver about 500 of these kits per year To the inmates at St. Gabriel. There are three celebrations to mark on your calendar: World Day of Prayer in March; May Fellowship Day in May; and World Community Day on November 4, this year. Each celebration is typically held on the first Friday of the month. The 1995 Biennial leadership development meeting will be held in Monroe in March. Next year, Louisiana CWU will be hosting the second biennial regional event for Church Women United. It will be held at Centenary college the weekend following the School of Mission in 1995.

1995 CONFERENCE GOALS--Betty Carlin, outgoing Vice-President, presented the following Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women goals:

1. I Timothy 6:20b--21
"Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, which some have professed and in so doing have wandered from the faith."

Therefore, let us continue to cooperate and support our Mission Task.

2. Implement Five-Star "Mission Living" in order to accomplish Five-Star "Mission Giving."
3. Mission Coordinators shall continue to:
 - Implement four (4) of the guidelines given at the District Elected Leadership Training (DELT) to qualify for a Supportive Community Certificate. These activities are selected from materials sent by the Office of Supportive Community, Women's Division.

-Promote the implementation of Supportive Community certification in each local unit.

MOTION WAS MADE BY BETTY CARLIN THAT THESE GOALS BE ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE. SECONDED AND CARRIED.

READING PROGRAM--Helen Allemond, Mission Coordinator for Christian Personhood, reported that there were 383 readers representing 65 units across the conference.

MEMBERSHIP--Harriet Elrod, Membership Chairperson gave the following report: The 1993 Membership Survey showed 341 units of United Methodist Women in the Louisiana Conference. Report were received from 233 units for UMW Sunday Observance. There were thirteen persons who received the Estelle Dameron Scholarships at the School of Missions. To motivate membership attendance at the School of Mission, a banner is awarded to the district with the largest attendance. Mabel Claire Placke of the Tallulah UMW Unit made the new banner that we began using July, 1994.

SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY CERTIFICATES--Hilda D. Sills, Coordinator, reported that there was a 125% increase over the number awarded last year. Nine certificates were awarded to Alexandria, Lake Charles and New Orleans Districts.

STANDING RULES--Maxie B. Garrett, Chairperson, presented the following Proposed Changes and Additions to Standing Rules:

Section: Local Units: # 5 to be added: The time between the election of officers and the assumption of their duties shall be a time of training during which the newly elected officers will work with the retiring officers.

Section: United Methodist Women in the District: #3 change to read: Those elected shall assume their duties on January 1 following the election. The time between the election of officers and the assumption of their duties shall be a time of training during which the newly elected officers will work with the retiring officers.

#9 change the term incumbent to retiring treasurer.

Section: United Methodist Women in the Conference; FUNDS; #4 change the word and number "Thirteen (13) cents per mile shall be allowed for travel by car" to Fifteen (15) cents...

COMMITTEES:

#1 change the dates 1989-1992 to 1993-1996.

The sentence would read: "Those persons listed in Women's Division Constitution and Bylaws, 1993-1996, shall be members of the Conference Executive Committee."

#5, f, omit.

ELECTIONS: #3 change to read: Those elected shall assume their duties on January 1 following the election. The time between the election of officers and the assumption of their duties shall be a time of training during which the newly elected officers will work with the retiring officers.

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION:

#1 change to read: The Dean and the Assistant Dean shall be elected for two (2) years at a School of Mission planning meeting by and from the current committee. They shall attend training provided by Women's Division. They shall alternate positions the following year.

#3 change first sentence to read: A sufficient amount determined by the Committee on Finance shall be allowed annually for the purchase of audiovisual resources pertinent to the current studies and mission emphases.

#4 to be added: All Conference elected leaders, Conference appointed leaders, members of the Conference Committee on Nominations, and the district presidents are expected to attend the School of Christian Mission at Conference expense.

#5 to be added: For Regional School of Christian Mission the pattern of attendance includes Conference elected leaders of UMW, Dean and Assistant Dean of Conference School, Conference Study Group Leaders who attend as a partial satisfaction of certification requirements.

Conference leaders must travel in car pools or accept pro rata payment on other travel arrangements, unless granted prior approval by Conference Administrative Committee.

DISTRICT ELECTED LEADER TRAINING:

#1, b, change Outgoing officers to Retiring officers and incoming officers to newly elected officers.

LEADERSHIP:

#2, a, change the term incumbent treasurer to retiring treasurer.

#2, b, omit the word incumbent before treasurer.

NOMINATING PROCEDURES:

#2 to be added: Conference representatives to the quadrennial assembly shall be conference elected officers who can attend. The monies designated shall be divided equally among those who attend.

#2 becomes #3.

IT WAS MOVED BY MAXIE GARRETT THAT THE PROPOSED CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO THE STANDING RULES BE ADOPTED. SINCE THIS RECOMMENDATION ALSO COMES FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, A SECOND WAS NOT NEEDED. THE CHANGES AND ADDITIONS WERE ADOPTED.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS- Barbara Hamilton, Chairperson, presented the following nominees for officers and term of office:

Vice President	Hilda D. Sills
Treasurer	Mary Quinones
Secretary for Financial Interpretation	Lois Heath
Mission Coordinators for:	
Christian Social Involvement	Muriel Miller
Supportive Community	Lou Medlock
Chairperson, Committee on Nominations	Jan Randolph
Nominated for re-election (2 year term)	
Coordinator for Christian Personhood	Helen Allemond
Nominated for election to Committee on Nominations (4 year term)	
Class of 1998	Joyce Hazel
	Ethel Lilly
	Norma Winegeart

ELECTION OF CONFERENCE OFFICERS - There were no nominations from the floor and all nominees were elected by acclamation.

THIS CONCLUDES THE BUSINESS SESSION.

BREAK - A short break was followed by UMW sings and special music provided by Cheryl Gillespie and Dixie Love.

GREETINGS FROM RAY AND DELAINE DEHAINAUT (Missionaries who serve in the Dominican Republic) -Ray and Delaine shared the following: Delaine said "May God Bless you, and we would like to thank you for what the Women of the United States, and Louisiana have done in their undesignated giving. We have been out there, We have seen how the money was used. We have seen Europe fall into riots. We have seen every penny used, as you would have them used. It is wonderful to see these women of the Dominican Republic with no money at all, even come to conferences and say that 'someone told me they can help me with 5 pesos,' which is equivalent to a \$1.00's help. All this money is brought here and the money issues are discussed and only with the approval of the whole group, is it decided how the money is used. We want to thank you for that. The more that you give, the more you help empower other women of the world, to know the love of the Lord and to know that they are important. They are important to God and they are important to you, and other women who love them around the world." Ray said "he served as the Pastor of the church and assisted in peace and justice where ever possible."

GREETINGS FROM THE JURISDICTION - Jan Clark Atkinson, South Central Jurisdiction, Nominating Committee. Jan said that wherever we go United Methodist Women are sisters, and you can feel the supportive community as you participate in various gatherings and mission events. My mother served in the Women's Society of Christian Service. She was a division president. I brought the map of the jurisdiction with the names of the officers on the back of the sheet. If everyone is interested in completing a talent

bank form, please do so. I welcome you to start making plans to attend the Quadrennial Meeting, May 3-5, 1996.

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER - Mary Margaret Barr. "Mary said she attended the Women's Assembly in Cincinnati and had an opportunity to talk with Dr. Carolyn Johnson." Mary was delighted because she knew that Dr. Johnson would be our speaker for the Annual Meeting. After chatting for a few minutes Mary found out the following: Carolyn has taught school forever, but her favorite was fifth grade in elementary. Today she is the Senior Research Associate at Purdue University in African American Studies. In 1992 she was elected President of Women's Division of the Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church.

Our speaker, Dr. Carolyn Johnson said that she has worked in the church, all of her life. The following excerpts are from the address: "...One of the gifts that United Methodist Women have is to continue to look in terms of rekindling; it is so important for us as an organization to have the gift of song. Carolyn spoke of a little of a little boy who was a refuge in a day care sponsored by UMW. The little boy was about 4 years old, he was singing a song. ...This little boy lived in a one room house with 12 people, with no running water; in order to get back to it, he had to pass through a wall of flies, and inside of the house were little mice running around. ...The song that this little boy was singing goes like this: **One, Two, Three, Jesus Loves me; four and five, it's great to be alive; six, seven, eight, God is Great! nine and ten, Let's sing it again!** ...Despite all of the physical situations, this little boy could say, it's great to be alive, God is great. The gift of voice.

...women organized in mission can make a real difference in the lives of others. ...It may be in singing, may be shouting, it may be whispers, however, we have to have that voice there, "we want people to be able to hear anew and afresh what it means to be loved..."

...We want to continue to rekindle that voice. Aggression is also an issue we have to look at. We have got to have the capacity to be morally outraged about the conditions of the world. We cannot become anesthetized to some of the great things we see. The whole issue of addiction, ...adopts the community of the world. It may be the addiction of alcohol, tobacco, or the issue of aids. ...If you want to sell something, the best way to sell it is to tell the population that it will make you sexy or it will make you look young. ... Respect the youth, and give of youth. ...We have to keep rekindling the issue of being a voice so that people will not only hear about Jesus, but that they know Jesus and they know what that means.

...A portion of the scripture in 2nd Samuel that occurs right after the son had died, and...there was lots of fighting, and Joab said "...must the sword devour forever." Joab said, "Surely, if you had not spoken, Surely, if you had not spoken," one voice. ...One

of the challenges of the United Methodist Women, is to speak with a collective voice. "Don't let the obituary of UMW be one where you did not speak about something critical in your heart and mind... ...So that someone can say, Surely, if you had not spoken!" ...Take a piece of paper and write out an impossible list, (these things will never happen), and then you say, well may be this will happen, if I could actually take the Jesus of Nazareth and have go talk to those people. ...The gift of what does it mean to be vulnerable. How can vulnerability be a gift. Well it can be, when that vulnerability is a matter of choice. The same way that being a slave, and one serves you as glass of water as a slave, that's a vulnerability that's not wanted. But if I chose to be your servant, I have chosen to lay my self to you."

We have to understand that our goals are different from God's goals. We are the guest and God is the host. ... "What does God want us to do." If we willing to do God's work, we can get a clue in Matthew, chapter 4 in the "beatitudes". She recounted a story about a group of people who wanted to celebrate Easter Sunday service, and the Nazi government had warned that they would not allow it. This group, led by a woman and her baby decided they would march to the city and chose as their marching song, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God." Carolyn asked that the organist play the first stanza, so that we could feel the full effect of how powerful this song is. And the first stanza is: A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood, of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe, doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal." The head of the military group grabbed the leader, and put his gun to her head. Carolyn said, "it is one thing to have courage marching from the farmhouse to the city, but what about this situation?" Just as the people started to begin singing, they hear this "voice"--'Did we in our strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabaoth, his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.' "The Nazi soldiers retreated."

..."Now I don't know how many of us have ever been faced with death. But I do know that acts of courage sometimes is not always because we face the physical death;...it is sometimes because we face the death of high standards,...rejection. ...But it takes a lot of courage to say that--'I want health care, I want to deal with crime, ...environment, ...education ...peace.' Where ever you may come out on those issues, you will all have different positions, but hopefully you will have the courage of your conviction, to let someone know...as United Methodist Women, you want to see life better for other people; particularly women and children."

RETIRING OFFICERS- Wilma Crosby, a former conference officer honored the retiring officers. After the officers were called to the front, Wilma shared the following: I am using parts of Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, 12 chapter, and I am taking some liberties with it. In it he writes about gifts, service and works.

As you assumed your offices several years ago, you brought to that office your very own special gifts and your uniqueness that God had given you. No one else has done or will ever do the job the same as you, because we all are different and approach things in different ways, which is good because it brings variety to our work.

Then later in the chapter Paul writes about the body and the importance of each member of the body, not one more important than the other. When I was in high school, I worked in a department store and I watched the window dresser (window designer) take the body of a mannequin and his helpers the other parts (arms, legs, head) to the window to arrange or connect to make the body whole. At the end of the day it was interesting to see what he had done.

Each time he designed a mannequin, it had a different appearance, and that was how it was with you as you took your office. You can with your idea of how to carry out the purpose of the UMW through your particular office. I think of the body of the mannequin as the purpose of UMW and each of the officers as the parts of the body.

Later in the week the window dresser would disconnect the parts, some would stay connected, others would go to storage to be used later. That is where each of you are today--you a being disconnected in a different position and others to wait awhile to be used later. Each of you had an important job to make their mannequin whole and you did it through your gifts that God gave you.

We want to honor you today with this Special Mission Recognition Pin to those that are retiring. (Betty Carlin; Kathy Shea; Geneva Bell; Barbara Hamilton and Susanna Rose) For those that are assuming a new responsibility you will be honored with a SMR pin when you complete that term of office. But we want to say a special thanks to you for your work and dedication. (Mary Quinones, Hilda Sills and Lois Heath).

We want you to know that we as a conference appreciate all the time and effort you put into your job and we say a special thanks to you and your families. Each officer faced the audience and Wilma closed with a heartwarming prayer.

THE AFTERNOON SESSION WAS ADJOURNED AT 4:15 P.M.

THE EVENING SESSION CONVENED AT 7:30 P.M.

SPECIAL MUSIC-- The session began with UMW sings, led by Cheryl Gillespie and Dixie Love. Pat Cobb, presided. After the call to worship, the hymn, "Of All the spirit's Gifts to Me" was sung.

EVENING DEVOTIONAL--Rev. Helena Wright-Butler. Some excerpts from the devotional follow:

"I greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, our strength and our redeemer." Our scripture for this evening is in first Corinthians 4:4-5. ...Paul writes, "now there are a variety of gifts but the same giver, ... there are a variety of services for the same Lord. ..It is the same God who inspires them in everyone. ...We bring many gifts from the spirit, yet together we are one." ..."We accept all gifts which are given by God." "I am reminded of a story by Olsen, about geese. ...The geese fly together and help each other stay in the right formation. ...Like the geese, if we who share a common purpose, and sense of community, we can get the job done quicker and easier, when we are traveling on the flock of one another." ...If we are to reach our goals, it pays to take turns doing the hard tasks, and sharing leadership. ...We are interdependent on each other; we dependent on each other's skills, capabilities, and unique gifts, talents and resources."

After special music by the Broadmoor UMC Choirs, we heard a short message from Dr. Carolyn Johnson. Carolyn recounted a story about one of the ladies in her district, when she was district president. She said, this lady told her that if she had the love of Christ in her heart, she would become the best! Carolyn continued her message focused on the theme, "Rekindling God's Gifts."

Carolyn talked about God creating the heavens and earth which is found in Genesis. She said. "God's work is a word that get things done. ...a day is measured by God getting something done." We have to constantly be in the rekindling mode, so that our word get things done. We are given the gifts of vision, comprehension, and can create change. We have to be willing and able to understand the miracle. We have to understand the mind and soul together. Carolyn said, " we should exercise the gift of vitality, energy and appreciation. ..think of a person you love the least, and 'that's how much you love God.'"

...One area of which there is no hierarchy, is which gift is better than another. Carolyn told us about her experiences in the eighth grade Homemaking class. This unit on sewing, was not her area of expertise. She recounted how the garments were made by the students and later to be worn in a style show, as a culminating activity for the class. She really did not want to do this activity, but there are some things that we do not have a choice about. ...She said she learned that sometimes you have to do things you don't want or know how to do." She said, having these kinds of experiences will humble you."

After singing the hymn, "Stir Into Flame," Rev. Helena Wright-Butler gave the benediction.

THE SATURDAY MORNING SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING convened at 8:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. The session began with UMW Sings led by Anna and Anitra Jackson, with accompanist Jeff Spence.

MORNING DEVOTIONAL - Following are excerpts from the message by Rev. Ellen Montegudo.

"The devotional is based on the scripture, Timothy 2:1-5. "I remind you to rekindle the gift of God, that is within through the laying on of my hands." For God did not give us the spirit of cowardice, but rather the spirit of power and of love. ...I woke up this morning, singing..."Sit down, sit down, sit down, you are rocking the boat." ...It is the spirit of timidity, spirit of fear, spirit of the church... There is a sculpture in Centenary's library, it is called "Women of History" she is a woman that has no mouth. What a wonderful gift! ...Second Timothy, is a word of encouragement, it is a word that tells us of the importance of rekindling the gift, rekindling the gift of God that is within you." ...Rekindle the gift of God. "God is rekindling, rekindling, our spirit--within you and within me--and we no longer to sit down."

SPECIAL MUSIC--The Women of Faith from Faith United Methodist Church provided the music.

REPORTS FROM LA CONFERENCE MISSION PROJECTS

Dulac - Rev. Kirby Verret said that there a lot of beautiful things happening in Dulac. The United Methodist Women is a part of what we are doing. The Dulac Cooperative Ministries, with Rev. Donald Morgan, Director of the Community Center, have made great strides. We have a new Library, day care program, and classes from Nicholls State University, and a preschool program. We have a clothes bank, that is handled through Clanton UMC. Umcors is there to give assistance when needed. Many groups have come to the Dulac Cooperative Ministries over the past year. We are very thrilled that we can do what we are doing. We hope that you will know that there are a lot great things going in the Dulac Cooperative Ministries.

St. Mark's Community Center - S. T. Tidwell said that St. Mark's does have some financial difficulties, but in spite of that, they have a viable program in operation. He said that St. Mark's has a children and infant day care program, and special cooperatives with the city and Orleans Parish Schools. He said that they service about 108 students in all of the programs. The United Methodist Women play a big part in our success. Thank you to the former board members and to United Methodist Women.

MacDonell United Methodist Children's Services---Kandy Theriot, Marketing Director said that MacDonell's is doing very well. They service 36 children. These children come from abusive and neglectful situations, and need individual attention. Kandy said that this Children's Services was started 75 years ago.

Pat Cobb said that the executive committee voted to send Jerry Bridges a card from the United Methodist Women recognizing him for his twenty-five years of service.

UMW STIRRED INTO FLAME--Harriet Elrod led us through this exercise which involved statements related to United Methodist Women activities.

Special Guest--David Melville, from Change Assistance Program, a lobbying organization that will work to change the system as it deals with health care issues, who should be helped--how long they should be helped-- and what can or should we expect in return.

PLEDGE SERVICE- Mary Quinones led the pledge service.

Conference Treasurer: Our Conference Financial Goal for 1995, as adopted by this body, is "To implement Five-Star Mission 'Living' in order to accomplish Five-Star Mission 'Giving'." Each local unit makes a 1995 Undesignated pledge to the district, and each district makes a 1995 Undesignated Pledge to the Louisiana Conference. The Conference Pledge you have approved represents the total of district pledges, other anticipated undesignated offerings, and a stepping out in faith for the ministry of Jesus Christ.

Conference Secretary For Financial Interpretation: Spiritual Gifts are abilities that God gives to believers in order that they may serve Him. Every Christian has at least one gift. Our gifts are different, according to the grace given us; and there are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are also different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord.

Because of your sincere faith and the faithful heritage of Christ's mission through United Methodist Women, you are called "to rekindle the gift of God which is in you...For God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power, of love, and of self-discipline." (II Timothy 1:6-7, paraphrased).

Conference Treasurer: As we receive the formal Undesignated Pledge from each district, we ask that members from that district stand together and affirm one spiritual gift of God we pray to rekindle in order to implement Five-Star "Living." A member from you district will lead you as you respond.

ACADIANA DISTRICT: (Standing and in Unison) We affirm God's spiritual gift of prophecy. Those God has graced with this gift are to use it in proportion to their faith. We live our mission when we stir into flame the gifts of God which provide divine inspiration for others. the ACADIANA DISTRICT pledges to rekindle God's gifts through implementation of Five-Star 'LIVING.' Our UNDESIGNATED PLEDGE in support of the Total Program of Mission for 1995 is \$19,000.00.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT: (Standing and in Unison) We affirm God's spiritual gift of teaching. Those God has graced with this gift know that they are assuming more responsibility and accountability. We live our mission when we stir into flame the gifts of God which provide divine inspiration for others. The ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT pledges to rekindle God's gifts through implementation of Five-Star "LIVING." Our UNDESIGNATED PLEDGE in support of the Total program of Mission for 1995 is \$26,000.00.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT: (Standing and in Unison) We affirm God's spiritual gift of ministry through serving. Those God has graced with this gift serve with the strength God provides so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. We live our mission when we stir in flame the gifts of God which provide divine inspiration for others. The BATON ROUGE DISTRICT pledges to rekindle God's gifts through implementation of Five-Star "LIVING." Our UNDESIGNATED PLEDGE in support of the Total Program of Mission for 1995 is \$37,000.00.

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT: (Standing and in Unison) We affirm God's spiritual gift of encouraging. Those God has graced with this gift are called to hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that they can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it. We live our mission when we stir into flame the gifts of God which provide through implementation of Five-Star "LIVING." Our UNDESIGNATED PLEDGE in support of the Total Program of Mission for 1995 is \$42,000.00.

MONROE DISTRICT: (Standing and in Unison) We affirm God's spiritual gift of contributing to the needs of others. Those God has graced with this gift are called to give generously. We live our mission when we stir into flame the gifts of God which provide divine inspiration for others. The MONROE DISTRICT pledges to rekindle God's gifts through implementation of Five-Star "LIVING." Our UNDESIGNATED PLEDGE in support of the Total Program of Mission for 1995 is \$28,000.00.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT: (Standing and in Unison) We affirm God's gifts of leadership. Those God has graced with this gift are called to govern diligently. We live our mission when we stir into flame the gifts of God which provide divine inspiration for others. The NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT pledges to rekindle God's gifts through implementation of Five-Star "LIVING." Our UNDESIGNATED PLEDGE in support of Total Program of Mission for 1995 is \$45,000.00.

NORTH SHORE DISTRICT: (Standing and in Unison) We affirm God's spiritual gifts of showing mercy. Those God has graced with this gift are called to do so cheerfully. We live our mission when we stir into flame the gifts of God which provide divine inspiration for others. The NORTH SHORE DISTRICT pledges to rekindle God's gifts through implementation of Five-Star "LIVING." Our UNDESIGNATED PLEDGE in support of the Total Program of Mission for 1995 is \$21,500.00.

RUSTON DISTRICT: (Standing and in Unison) We affirm God's gifts of salvation. In John 4:10, Jesus asked the woman at the well to receive Him and His Gift without any prerequisite change in her life. After she believed, and because she believed, her way of living would be changed. We live our mission when we stir into flame the gifts of God which provide divine inspiration for others. The RUSTON DISTRICT pledges to rekindle God's gifts through implementation of Five-Star "LIVING." Our UNDESIGNATED PLEDGE in support of the Total Program of Mission for 1995 is \$32,000.00.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT: (Standing and in Unison) We affirm God's gift of eternal life. Sanctification of life does not earn eternal life; it is still God's gracious gift. We live our mission when we stir into flame the gifts of God which provide divine inspiration for others. The SHREVEPORT DISTRICT pledges to rekindle God's gifts through implementation of Five-Star "LIVING." Our UNDESIGNATED PLEDGE in support of the Total Program of Mission for 1995 is \$47,000.00.

CONFERENCE TREASURER & ALL CONFERENCE OFFICERS FOR 1995: (Standing and in Unison) We affirm and find in abundance all of the spiritual gifts of God that have been named by the districts. Because His love has been made visible, we pledge to care and to serve people in need everywhere. We live our mission when we stir into flame the gifts of God which provide divine inspiration for others. as **CONFERENCE OFFICERS**, we pledge to rekindle God's gifts through implementation of Five-Star "LIVING."

ALL UNITED METHODIST WOMEN MEMBERS: (Standing and in Unison) We affirm God's spiritual gifts given according to His grace. We pledge to use the gifts given to us and have put our hope in the living God, who is the Savior of all, and especially of those who believe. We will not neglect our gifts. We live our mission when we stir into flame the gifts of God which provide divine inspiration for others. As women in mission, we pledge to rekindle God's gifts through implementation of Five-Star "LIVING." Our CONFERENCE UNDESIGNATED PLEDGE in support of the Total Program of Mission for 1995 is \$298,000.00. We "take up the cross of sacrifice" to be "Women in Mission each day!" SO BE IT! AMEN!

Report of Registration---Gloria Montgomery. The following statistics were given on the attendance: Acadiana - 18; Alexandria - 40; Baton Rouge - 40; Lake Charles - 49; Monroe - 51; New Orleans - 30; North Shore - 17; Ruston - 31 and Shreveport - 161 with a grand total of 453.

Special Mission Recognition Pin -**Ordained Ministers**--Rhonda F. Yonley and Terilynn Russ; **Diaconal Ministers**--Lusinda Warren and Carolyn O. Foster; **Annual Meeting:** **chairperson** - Mary Margaret Barr and **Asst.** - Rose Fitzgerald.

ABOUT THE OFFERING--Kathryn Shea, Conference Treasurer, announced that the offering will be sent undesignated.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS--Norma Winegeart. (assisted by Seola Callahan)

More than one hundred of us attended the Quadrennial Assembly of United Methodist Women last spring in Cincinnati. We were exceedingly proud of Doris Brown as she gave witness to her heritage in United Methodist Women during the opening session. She used the term "passing the torch" and this is our theme for this installation service today.

At Christmas time we sing the familiar French carol, "Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella." Until now I'd always thought Jeanette Isabella was one person--but there is a comma in between them. So, today we are saying bring a torch Betty, Kathy, Barbara, Mary... all of you... "Bring a torch, come---swiftly run. Christ is born, tell the folk of the village;" The carol continues "Hasten now, good folk of the village; Hasten now, the Christ-child to see." We, as "folk of the village," are called to spread the good news of Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Saviour. This is our number one job--to be torchbearers for Christ.

For the opening of each of the Olympic Games a blazing torch is brought into the arena by a swift runner. The lighted torch has been brought a great distance by a series of runners--who pass the torch to the next runner--while they run along beside of each other--making for a smooth transition.

When you approved the report of the Standing Rules Committee, yesterday, you approved a time of transition from the election of new officers until the first of January. In essence, the retiring officers and the newly elected officers will be running along side by side, carrying their torch together--as it is smoothly and effectively passed from one to the other.

Today we are passing symbolic torches - which have been designed and created by my husband, Jack Winegeart -- and I do thank him! The torches represent the various offices of the Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women.

At this time, will be retiring officers please come forward bearing your torches. As the newly elected officers are called to receive their torches will they please remain at the altar rail, facing the congregation.

We will begin with the Chairperson of the Committee on Nominations as Barbara Hamilton passes her torch to Jan Randolph; Barbara Hamilton, as a member of the Committee on Nominations, passes a torch to Joyce Hazel; Lois Heath, member of the Committee on Nominations, passes her torch to Ethel Lilly; Barbara (standing in for Susanna Rose who is ill) member of the Committee on Nominations, passes her torch to Norma Winegeart; Mary Quinones, Secretary for Financial Interpretation, passes her torch to Lois Heath; Hilda Sills, Mission Coordinator for Supportive Community, passes her torch to Lou Medlock; Geneva Bell, Mission Coordinator for Christian Social Involvement, passes her torch to Muriel Miller; Kathryn Shea, Treasurer, passes her torch to Hilda Sills.

These are your newly elected officers.

I now ask the re-elected officer, who is already a torchbearer, to join this group: Helen Allemond, Mission Coordinator for Christian Personhood. Officers whose terms do not expire at this time, will please come forward as they are called to complete the group: Members of the Committee on Nominations: Almeda Ledoux; Jane Deville; Elouise Sanders; Joyce Armstrong and Joan Miller; Secretary of Publicity and Public Relations-Kathleen Conrad; Chairperson of the Committee on Membership-Harriette Elrod; Secretary of Program Resources-Lottie Palazzo; Mission Coordinator for Christian Global Concerns-Marie Young; Secretary-Fannie Perkins Reddix; President-Pat Cobb.

To the entire group, I ask: Do you accept the office to which you have been elected and will you do all within your power to fulfill the task for which you have been chosen? If so, please answer "With God's help, I will." I hereby declare these to be your officers of the Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women for the year 1995. Will the congregation please rise. These elected officers cannot and should not advance the work of the United Methodist Women alone. Without you, the local member, their work is in vain. Will you support them with your prayers and dedication of your time and talents? If so, please answer "With God's help, we will."

In closing, Norma said, "In the Annual meeting NEWSLETTER you noted the death of our former missionary to India, Vela Cleveland. Vela was the speaker for our Annual Meeting in 1984. These are the words she used to close that Annual Meeting ten years ago and I would like to use them to close this Service of Installation today. Vela Said: "Wake up Methodist Women, Wake up, United Methodist Women. Wake up, lift your torches. Keep them burning brightly. Keep them burning with the fuels of love and enthusiasm, knowledge and light. Don't let them burn out, leaving your own lives and hearts empty shells of charred hopes and dead ashes. Rekindle your flames. Keep these flames burning brightly as with God's love--we serve His children. Go now--hold your torches high in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Saviour. Amen.

INVITATION TO 1995 CONFERENCE ANNUAL MEETING - An invitation was extended by Linda Jacobs, President of Asbury United Methodist Church in Lafayette to host the 1995 Annual Meeting at her church. The invitation was accepted.

ADJOURNMENT - With a few announcements, Pat Cobb, President, declared the Twenty-First Annual Meeting adjourned.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Service of Holy Communion was held following the adjournment of the Annual Meeting and a short. Reverend Linda Shepherd was the Communion Celebrant and gave the message which

dealt with christians being called to witness for Christ and rekindling the gifts that God has given us. Communion was served by ordained ministers of the Shreveport District: Ellen Alston; Willie Jackson; Ellen Montegudo; Robert Potter, District Superintendent; Bryan Dauphin; George Thomas; Linda Shepherd and New Orleans District: Helena Wright-Butler. William People, Pastor of Broadmoor UMC led the Laying on of Hands and gave the Sending Forth.

Fannie Perkins Reddix, Secretary
Pat Cobb, President

EVENTS

DISTRICT ELECTED LEADERS TRAINING (DELT)

DELT was held at First United Methodist Church in Pineville, on October 15, 1994. Registration began at 9:30 a.m. the program started at 10:00 a.m.

Rev. Betsy Irvine, was the speaker and spoke on Women and Children. The training sessions ended at noon. After lunch, Rev. Betsy Irvine gave the sending forth. Kathy Shea and local units from Pineville UMW assisted with the local arrangements.

Marie Young, Chair

1994 SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION

The Louisiana Conference School of Christian Mission was held at Centenary College July 21-24, 1994. The theme this year was, **TOWARD JOYFUL CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**. Throughout the Bible, we find stories of a variety of families struggling to live according to God's laws and leading in various social, economic and political circumstances. From Genesis to Revelation, scripture reveals an expanding concept of the family of God. In any society factors which strain and harm families affect children most severely. In Africa, economic and social pressures, drought and other natural disasters and militarism have greatly affected citizens of countries across the continent.

The week was spent exchanging ideas, learning and pondering issues and concerns of God's family on earth. It was a very spiritually enriched school. The studies were Family: Drawing the Circle Wide; African Churches Speak and Making the World Safe For Children. We were graced with several highlights: Mrs. Brenda Carlin, Guest Speaker on Child Abuse; and a special time with Mrs. Debra Bashaw from the Women's Division. From the Morning Worship to the displays, fun nights, Communion Service and everything, I just felt that we were all having a mountaintop experience.

I would like to give special thanks to my husband, Dr. Roscoe C. Reddix, Sr., a great supporter of UMW, who made the special little people from around the world, who graced the stage in Kilpatrick Auditorium each day.

The attendance banner went to the New Orleans District. The total paid registrants was 242. The total registration was 255 with the study leaders, musicians and guests included. Five registrants canceled, and 22 did not show, therefore we had 228 in attendance. All of the study leaders received favorable ratings. One study leader wasn't able to teach in the school this year, due to an emergency.

I am very thankful to the Executive Committee and School Committee for allowing me to be the 1994 Dean of the School of Christian Mission. It was truly a rewarding, spiritual feeling for me. I thoroughly enjoyed it. Thank you for your confidence and encouragement.

Fannie Perkins Reddix, Dean

DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS FOR 1994

ACADIANA DISTRICT

The major goals for the year were: plan executive meetings in a centrally located area; increase attendance at district and conference activities; more input from local units and most of all, meet our pledge.

The Day Apart was well attended. Eight members attended the Women's Assembly in Cincinnati, Ohio. Our Reading Program was much improved this year. We got over two thirds of the evaluations from the local units. We have a total of 658 active members. Thirty units observed UMW Sunday on January 23, 1994.

Many of our officers were trained at DELT and have used those skills in improving our district. We also had a good attendance at the Conference Annual Meeting. Our very own Betty Carlin, retiring Vice-President assisted in planning for the 1994 Conference Annual Meeting. The Learning Center was coordinated by Kathleen Conrad. We did not get the attendance banner back, but we did have a good number to attend School of Mission this year.

Emily O. McCoy, President

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

UMW Sunday was celebrated in 16 of the 22 units in our district. Our first 1994 Executive meeting was held in January. We had a Spring Retreat at First UMC, Alexandria in April. Many of our units attended the Conference Annual Meeting in Shreveport. A mini school was also held this year. Most of our officers attended DELT. We had a good representation at the Conference School of Mission. Several attended the Women's Assembly in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Margie Morrish, President

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

The main thrust for our district this year is to go into the district's surrounding parish areas to involve unit teams in hosting our large district events such as Day Apart-Spiritual Enrichment, Local Elected Leadership Training and Mini School of Christian Mission. Baton Rouge District has a promise to keep and has had a year of growth and learning. Eighty-seven ladies attended the April-Spiritual Enrichment Day at St. James UMC in Belle Rose, LA. Twenty-eight ladies attended the Women's Assembly in Cincinnati, OH. We were proud to have Doris Brown represent the Conference as well as our district at the Assembly.

Several members attended the Church Women United State Assembly in New Orleans, and May Fellowship Day. Dorothy Conrad served as Dean and Betty Pope, Assistant Dean of our Mini-School of Christian Mission. We had a large group to attend the Conference School of Mission, Annual Meeting in Shreveport, DELT in Pineville

and LELET. Doris Brown, a study leader for Children also gave the meditation and prayer on Thursday at School of Mission and I gave the meditation and prayer on Saturday. I also served as the Audio-Visuals coordinator at Conference school. Helen Allemond, Conference coordinator for Christian Personhood coordinated the table graces and prepared the devotional booklets. Our Annual Meeting was held at Blackwater UMC.

Rita Parham, President

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

Local units in the Lake Charles District have been engaged in various mission activities and projects this year. In spite of very bad weather, there were 58 in attendance at our District Quiet Day Retreat. Several ladies attended the Women's Assembly in Cincinnati. The unit at Mount Zion in Leesville has been reactivated. The District Annual Meeting was held at Oak Park UMC with the Rev. Elizabeth Northern as the speaker. Many of our units participated in UMW Sunday and Call to Prayer and Self-Denial. Our district prepared and conducted the Morning Praise on Saturday morning at Conference School of Mission. Many of our ladies attended Conference Annual Meeting in Shreveport, DELT and LELET.

Joyce Hazel, President

MONROE DISTRICT

The Monroe District has 35 units with a membership of over 1,259. Last year, we overpaid our pledge to mission. Our district spring Retreat was held at Asbury UMC in West Monroe on April 16, 1994. The Retreat was led by Rev. Linda Shepard with Annette Fortuna leading the singing. The UMW theme was, "Carrying Out God's Promises - Count Me In." Lou Medlock, Vera Bulloch and Harriette Elrod attended UMW Assembly in Cincinnati.

I have spoken to 5 units using the material and a video from the Women's Division regarding the "Re-Imaging Conference" at which the Sophia God issue was raised.

Our district support the Church Women United programs very faithfully. I was presented with an apron at the Laity Banquet on Friday, March 4 for the work the UMW did on the District Mission Project. I spoke at St. Paul UMC on UMW Sunday. We had a good turnout for DELT, LELET and Conference School of Christian Mission. Harriette Elrod presented thirteen Estelle Dameron Scholarships at Conference School.

Vera Bulloch

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

UMW Sunday was a great success; we are almost 100%! We have a number of units observing Call to Prayer and Self-Denial. Spring Retreat was held at St. Bernard UMC. The retreat itself was very meaningful, as we looked at ways of worshipping God by Women who

worship in a different manner than we Methodists. We enjoyed learning about Imani and Judaism from women of those faiths. The Mini-School of Christian Mission was held at First Street UMC in August.

One unit at Metairie reactivated with a membership of ten members. We celebrated the marriage of our Secretary of Program Resources, Grace Phillips-Marcel, who recovered from a serious illness, the successful surgery of our Supportive Community Coordinator, Evelyn Martin and our Conference Financial Interpreter, Mary Quinones. A large number of ladies from our district attended the Women's Assembly in Cincinnati. Our district had the largest attendance at the 1994 School of Mission and received the attendance banner. Our very own, Fannie P. Reddix served as Dean, with Mary Quinones, Assistant Dean, Hilda Sills as Registrar and Amanda Bowers as School Nurse. We also had a large attendance at DELT, LETL and Conference Annual Meeting. Our Annual Meeting was held First United Methodist Church. We are also very proud to have Conference President, Pat Cobb and Secretary of Program Resources, Lottie Palazzo, in our district. Barbara Hamilton just retired as the Chairperson on Nominations Committee.

We did lose a few members last year, including one of the pioneers in Women's Mission Organizations Maude Harris.

Lynn Foil, President

NORTH SHORE

One of our goals is to increase awareness of persons with disabilities and encourage churches to renovate present buildings to accommodate persons with disabilities. Our shepherdess program is active; reading program increased and we received a certificate for 5-star giving.

Many of the units celebrated UMW Sunday. Loranger UMW organized a District Study of the Caribbean. Eleven ladies attended the Women's Assembly in Cincinnati, OH, and returned home with new enthusiasm. We organized a district fund raiser to furnish a room at the Conference Center.

We had a district retreat at Fitzgerald UMC in Folsom. I have completed the Disciple Course and have gone back to work full time. Our district prepared and conducted the Morning Praise on Friday morning at the 1994 School of Mission. We had good attendance at our Mini-School, Conference Annual Meeting, DELT and LETL.

Gail Epperson, President

RUSTON DISTRICT

All 27 of our units submitted their evaluation forms, and they reflected very interesting mission activities. I spoke on four UMW Sunday programs: Farmerville, Harmony Chapel, Bernice, and

Lakeview United Methodist Churches. We had 92 persons in attendance at our Spring meeting which was held at Harmony Chapel UMC. We have recently re-instated the Lakeview unit in Minden. They have been very active this year. District Retreat was held at Caney Conference Center, Minden, with 48 in attendance representing 15 units. We also had a good Mini-School at Minden First UMC, District Annual Meeting at Quitman and Local Leaders Training at Arcadia UMC. Many of our ladies attended the Conference Annual Meeting and School of Christian Mission.

Jean Rockhold, President

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Our district has had a good response in all of our meetings. We have participated in a number of mission activities, including a special latch-key project, and sponsoring a homeless woman. Our Retreat was held at Centenary College in Kilpatrick Auditorium on March 12, 1994. Our leader was Ellen Alston, Associated pastor at Broadmoor UMC.

In April, eleven women from our district went to Assembly in Cincinnati and returned vowing not to miss any future assemblies and to enlist more to go to Orlando.

Our district gave a fruit basket to the study leaders at Conference School. Conference School of Mission was greatly aided by the assistance of Patty Lindsey who served as chairperson of local arrangements. I prepared the worship altar in Kilpatrick Auditorium at Conference School.

Serving as host district for the Conference Annual Meeting with the help of Mary Margaret Barr as Chairperson, Rose Fitzgerald as assistant and the aid of all of the ladies in Shreveport, it was really a mountain top experience. The theme of the Annual Meeting was "Rekindle God's Gifts!"

Our Annual Meeting, DELT and LELT were well attended. Somewhere in all this I have bought and overseen the remodeling of a house, sold another, moved first my daughter and then us.

Carolyn Colvin, President

1995 DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETINGS

Acadiana	October 14	Calvary UMC, Thibodaux
Alexandria	October 1	Fellowship UMC, Hinston
Baton Rouge	October 7	Wesley UMC, Baton Rouge
Lake Charles	October 14	DeRidder UMC, DeRidder
Monroe	October 14	Rayville UMC, Rayville
New Orleans	October 7	Trinity-Gentilly UMC, New Orleans
North Shore	October 7	Denham Springs UMC, Denham Springs
Ruston	October 8	Jonesboro UMC, Jonesboro
Shreveport	October 8	St. Lukes UMC, Shreveport

LOCAL QUARTERLY REPORTS DUE DISTRICT TREASURER

March 10
June 10
September 10
December 1

DISTRICT QUARTERLY REPORTS DUE CONFERENCE TREASURER

March 25
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September 25
December 10

